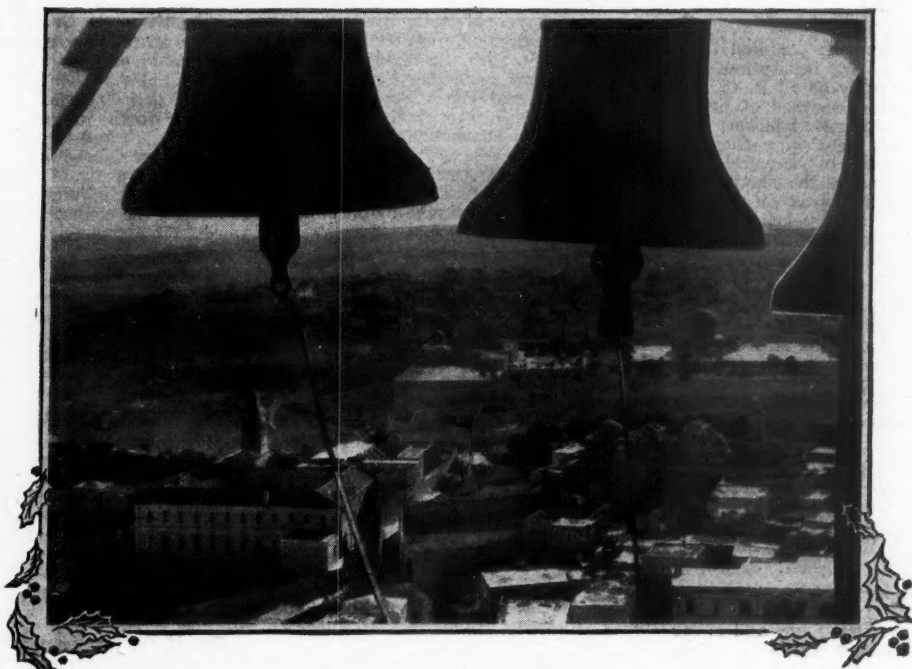


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M A G A Z I N E



- These old bronze bells are located in the tower of the Greek Chapel on the Mount of Olives. From this vantage point, the observer sees Jerusalem at his feet, the Dead Sea directly below, and beautiful little Bethlehem in the distance. The prophet Micah, writing in chapter 5 and verse 2, announced seven centuries in advance that Christ would be born in Bethlehem.

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Is Our Press Purse-Controlled?

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"**DECLARE** ye among the nation, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not: . . . For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast." (Jeremiah 50:2-3)

Contrary to popular opinion, the press is not a modern institution. We are told that as early as 50 B. C., the Chinese originated a method of printing by means of engraved blocks, and it is claimed that the *Peking Gazette*, the oldest daily paper in the world, was established more than a thousand years ago and still continues as an official publication, carrying Imperial edicts, declarations and summaries of the official news of the various provincial envoys.

It would appear, therefore, that from the earliest beginning of the press, it has related itself to national problems; and while many new, and some most desirable features have been added, the old purpose of serving public interests has never disappeared.

The American press has taken on such an aggregate of features that national or state interests are constantly reduced to decreasing column space, and are almost lost in the shadows of Sports, Women's World, ads., and multiplying cartoons.

But it is appreciatively noted that even yet public interests hold, as a rule, place on the first page, and under such stressful circumstances as now stir the nations of the world, these articles, with the editorials referring to them, receive a wide reading.

It seems to me that our test—Jeremiah 50:2-3, outlines in a wonderful way the purpose and responsibility of the press.

The interpretation of this text I shall weave into our further discussion, but permit me to do it under three suggestions: *First*—Publicity is the Purpose of the Press; *Second*—The Public Good Should Be Its Objective; *Third*—The Preservation of the People Should Be the Result.

I.

PUBLICITY IS THE PURPOSE

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OF THE PRESS. "**Declare ye among the nations, and publish.**"

The daily press is supposed to be a mirror in which is seen the reflection of society's face.

The time used to be when this social picture was a bit aged before the individual reader could study its features; but with the discovery of electricity and the telegraph, with the creation of the telephone, this reflection was speeded up until several years ago; even before the radio was operative, the Associated Press boasted the fact that it could send a message from New York twice around the world in two hours and five minutes, making a momentary call *enroute* at 18 of the most important foreign bureaus and 4 bureaus of its English ally, *Reuters*.

Now, with the advantage of the radio, that two hours and five minute time is practically reduced to two minutes, or whatever period is required for hearing and transmitting to paper the news of the moment.

In other words, society now stands before a full-length looking-glass that reflects instantly, and only such time as is required by the photographer to develop the picture and hand it out to the public is necessary; and, like the work of the camera, that picture, if it were not tampered with by reporters and editors, would tell a true story of world affairs.

It would reveal both the bad and the good of society.

That both exist is well known to all, for human life, at its best, is a mixture in which the bad at times threatens a complete triumph against the better. . .

It will be conceded that the year 1896 was not a time of national or international turmoil. There were no great burning world-questions demanding publicity and requiring a dependable press; and yet in the life of his illustrious father A. J. Gordon—his talented son, Ernest B. Gordon, said the following:

"Few question the degeneracy of the American daily newspaper, and the degrading influence which it exerts in our social system. It has become a hoarse-throated tale-monger, its output being

not much better than an endlessly issued *chronique scandal use*. This for the news column. The editorial page also exhibits the most unworthy traits. The proverbial timidity of capital finds here its complete expression. The daily paper would never, for truth's sake, offend the smallest fraction of its paying constituency. *It is as calculating as those state-churchmen who, as Marx says, would give up the entire Thirty-nine Articles rather than one thirty-ninth of their income.* It is ever heard 'bawling forth judgments unashamed all day long', and these judgments are shaped notoriously by the counting-room. The result, of course, is the extreme of unreliability and a proneness to darken the counsel of the 'leader' by words without conviction."

We should not be willing to consent to this Ernest Gordon indictment without insisting upon the exceptions to the rule. There are exceptions—great and glorious exceptions—and America has reason today to thank God for that!

Sir Peter Lely is reputed to have said to his personal artist: "Now paint me as I am, warts and all."

The newspaper is not to be condemned because it brings some warts into the picture. The Editor's office is not a beauty parlor; the news reporter is not supplied with face powders and paints, finger nail and toe nail colors. He is supposed, rather, to press the bulb and carry away a negative to be developed in the dark room that holds his typewriter.

But if the text is regarded, or public interests are conserved, he has another and a serious obligation. *He is enjoined against concealing or contorting the truth.*

"... set up a standard; publish, and conceal not."

It is at this point where Father Coughlin has had occasion of complaint. Personally, I listened in to his address on Sunday, December 4, 1938 when his theme was "NOT ANTI-SEMITISM, BUT ANTI-COMMUNISM." The next day I read what two of the Minneapolis papers had to say upon that subject. I regarded the morning paper's report a sad contortion; the afternoon Journal a practical falsification.

I refer to the reputed meeting of Rabbi Leo M. Franklin with Mr. Henry Ford on the subject of engaging the services of refugee Jews who might later come from Germany. The two dailies I read charged Father Coughlin with misrepresentation in the matter of declaring that the article in the *Detroit Free Press* was inspired by the mind, and produced by the hand, of Rabbi Franklin.

And yet, both the documents employed—
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"The Time of Jacob's Trouble"

A Bible Study

Rev. Gerald B. Winrod, D. D.

ALL writers on prophetic themes make reference to a period during the end of the present age, in which the Jewish people will be especially affected—called the "Time of Jacob's Trouble."

Chapters thirty and thirty-one of the book of Jeremiah deal especially with this matter. Our Lord referred to it in the Olivet discourse, when He was discussing the "Great Tribulation."

Jeremiah has been called the "weeping prophet" and the "prophet of doom." The reference to *Jacob's Trouble* appears in chapter 30 and verse 7 of his book. Because he refused to condone Israel's sins in his day, he suffered great persecution. By means of prophetic discourses, he also devoted himself to the unpleasant task of announcing certain judgments that were to come later.

Prophesying is not always a healthy profession. Time and again, in the Scriptures, we find anointed prophets of God being subjected to torture. The city of Jerusalem was often the scene of bloodshed and violence. Hence the words of Christ: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!"

No one ever used more vigorous language in condemning the Jews for their crimes than our Lord: "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous. And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"

Jeremiah anticipated the scattering of the Jews among the nations when he announced that they would be "removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for their hurt, to be a reproach and a prov-

erb, a taunt and a curse, in all places." Naturally they did not relish hearing such judgments pronounced upon them.

Chapters 37 and 38 tell of Jeremiah's imprisonment. "Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, let this man be put to death. Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he is in your hand. Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon. And in the dungeon there was no water, but mire: so Jeremiah sunk in the mire."

But persecution of the prophet did not interfere with the fulfillment of his prophecies. *His enemies could not imprison the truth.* Some of Jeremiah's prognostications have already come to pass . . . others are now in process of fulfillment. The "Time of Jacob's Trouble" is at hand.

Tribulation Language

There are two avenues of approach open to the Bible student, in studying events leading up to this period of judgment. *First* — that the Jews comprise a harmless, innocent group and are victims of unwarranted persecution. *Second* — that in their apostate, rebellious, Christ-rejecting state, they are guilty of atrocious sins for which just retribution is inevitable.

International events are fitting together, piece by piece, into a great prophetic mosaic. When considering other developments which are taking shape in the world, the epoch of Jacob's Trouble is known to be rapidly approaching. Leaders of international Jewry realize that a storm is not far distant.

Every nation has become *Jew conscious* since the plague of Jewish Communism was released upon the world twenty-one years ago. This fact has a dispensational significance. Occult Jewish organizations which have in the past, worked from behind Gentile fronts, thereby cloaking their deeds with racial anonymity, are now being brought into the open.

Much of Jeremiah's prophecy is couched in Tribulation language. His predictions fit perfectly with numerous other passages of Scripture which refer to the conditions that Christ saw coming when He said: "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since

the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."

Armageddon Prophesied

Like Jeremiah, the prophet Ezekiel also made repeated references to both the dispersion and end-time judgment of the Jewish people. Ezekiel 6:8 refers to the dispersion as follows: "A remnant . . . scattered through the countries," whereas verses 11 and 12 speak of the approaching judgment, "Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence . . . thus will I accomplish my fury upon them."

The book of Daniel contains numerous references to the Tribulation period, of which chapter 12, verse 1, is typical, "And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time."

Retribution upon the descendants of Jacob for their racial crimes is also outlined in Hosea, "The Lord hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him." The same prophet says: "The sorrows of a travelling woman shall come upon him."

The rehabilitation of Palestine by international Jewry is clearly anticipated in the prophecies. But nowhere is it specified that *all* members of the race will participate in this restoration. Only a representative group from various parts of the world need assemble, under the high command of their international government, in order to meet the prophetic provisions. This is rapidly taking place.

Rev. John Wilkinson, head of the British Midway Mission to the Jews, says: "Heaviest chastisement on the nation of Israel will be administered in Palestine itself, in the very place where the national sins were committed which caused the national rejection. The rejection of Father, Son and Spirit took place in the land of Israel, and it is fitting that the chastisement due to the

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ITEMS of INTEREST to DEFENDERS

SPECIAL ATTENTION is called to the *Missionary Department* this month, page 31. If you are concerned with the task of world evangelism order the "Defender Missionary Messenger." It is sent free to interested friends.

SAYS THE "Jewish National Day" . . . "The public schools must be kept clear of Christmas carols and other Christmas influences. We want all this Christmas propaganda stopped."

THE LEAVEN of Judaism has been filtering into the Church of Christ for many years through false doctrines. Modernism is a restatement of Judaism because both reject such Christian fundamentals as the Deity, Virgin Birth, Atonement and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. Modernist preachers and Jewish rabbis may therefore be expected to fraternize, as is the case these days in the larger cities, for the reason that their views on religious beliefs are identical.

ANY PREACHER who professes to reject the destructionist program of the Federal Council of Churches without exposing the anti-Christian, Jewish elements involved, is only touching the outer fringe of the problem. Charles M. Sheldon says in the September 1939 edition of *Faith*: "Fifty years ago the New York Home Missions Council, together with the Federal Council of Churches, organized a committee to discuss all the phases of common dislike of the Jews, and the expenses of the committee were met, for the most part, by wealthy Jews of New York."

ON PAGE 10 of the pamphlet "B'nai B'rith — An International Anti-Christian, Pro-Communist Jewish Power," one reads that "the radically-controlled Federal Council of Churches is financially supported by B'nai B'rith and works closely with it."

"TEN YEARS AGO the National Conference of Jews and Christians was born. For four years before that, the Federal Council of Churches and B'nai B'rith had pioneered, gingerly, yet bravely on the Committee on Goodwill between Jews and Christians. Today the National Conference is the only effort of the kind in the world aiming on so vast a scale to transform the attitudes of individuals and religious groups to each other." This quotation, showing collaboration between the Federal Council and international Jewry, is taken from the *B'nai B'rith* magazine.

A GROUP of courageous Christian leaders are viewing with anxiety, the infiltration of Judaistic doctrines and red propaganda, into the circles of Fundamental Christianity. They know that many well meaning people are being deceived, for the reason that this particular form of deception has never before been practiced in the United States. An antidote must be administered, with all possible haste, to offset the effect of the poison. "I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan."—Rev. 2:9.

THE "FREE PRESS" of London, declares: "A short history of B'nai B'rith in England, written by Paul Goodman, a past president, for private circulation, says: 'In the United States the Order is clearly the power behind the President.'" On the occasion of Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Kansas City a few days ago, a B'nai B'rith lawyer had charge of all personal arrangements concerning her—the same lawyer who recently joined with members of the Communist Party in closing the municipal auditorium of a neighboring city, where a Christian Minister was scheduled to deliver an address against Communism.

JAMES TRUE says: "British warmongers are alarmed at the great tide of public opinion for world peace that is sweeping over England. Two Americans recently returned, report handbills demanding peace are distributed wherever one goes." Mr. True also says that the following statement, first suppressed by government censorship, was later allowed to appear in the London Sunday Dispatch: "This war is no quarrel of the British people; this war is a quarrel of Jewish finance."

EARL BROWDER and William Allen White have launched similar attacks upon the Catholic Church. Both take the position that there are good Catholics and bad Catholics. In every instance, the "bad" ones are those who are opposing Communism. White says that "poison drips from the Shrine of the Little Flower"—meaning Charles E. Coughlin's church in Michigan. He says Coughlin's paper is full of "obscene nonsense." He condemns "Roman Catholic church authorities" for allowing the Brooklyn Tablet to be published and accuses it of circulating "venomous lies."

PRESS DISPATCHES announce that Congressman J. Thorkelson has filed a libel suit for \$300,000 against Kenneth G. Crawford, alleged author, and Julian Messner, Inc., reputedly the publisher of a book which is said to be a "smear" against the leader from Montana. Pro-

fessional writers who devote their talents to unjustly attacking Christian and patriots, will be eventually put in their place by enlightened public opinion. Dr. Thorkelson, a highly respected physician, states in his complaint that the book holds him up to "public scorn and contempt."

NO SCHOLAR in America is better qualified to write on the historical forces which have given rise to the present catastrophic conditions in Europe, than Senator Lewis Valentine Ulrey. His comprehensive treatise "Neutrality—Peace or War?" appearing in this *Defender*, deserves a careful sentence-by-sentence reading.

MARY J. LEACH of Indianapolis, writes in *Social Justice* magazine about being discharged by the Jewish firm where she worked, for having participated in an anti-Communist rally addressed by Rev. Charles E. Coughlin. She concludes: "For more than 11 years I had been employed by the L. Strauss and Co., Inc., men's clothing store, and for seven years was secretary to Mr. A. L. Strauss. At closing time Saturday night, October 21st, Mr. Strauss called me into his office and requested my resignation. I was stunned, having done my very best to promote the interest of the store in every department. No reason was given me and my discharge was without warning. I hope my experience will arouse Christian Americans to action."

EVERYBODY KNOWS that Hore-Belisha, head of the British War Department, is a Jew. But only a few days ago, it was reported for the first time in the United States, that Winston Churchill, chief of the English Navy, is of the same nationality. This disclosure was made in a Robert E. Edmondson bulletin entitled "War-Trap-ped." (Price 5 cents; Mr. Edmondson's address is Stoddartsville, Pa.)

WINSTON CHURCHILL delivered a radio speech November 8th, in which he ominously remarked: "We shall break their hearts"—referring to the German people. A few hours later, a bomb exploded above the platform where Chancellor Hitler had just finished speaking. The head of the German Reich escaped death by eleven minutes and the press of his country attributed the attempt to British secret service activities.

THE RADIO SPEECH, "Danger — Keep America Out of War" by Dr. Martin Luther Thomas, should be read by a million patriots. (Price 5 cents . . . Available from The Bible Presbyterian Church, 501 S. New Hampshire, Los Angeles.)

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nation should be inflicted on the nation, after the scattered people have been reconstituted, a nation by restoration to their land. God says, 'I will bring a sword upon you that shall avenge the quarrel of my covenant.'... The Scriptures further teach that the Jews are to be restored in unbelief."

Palestine will be the cockpit of the last great struggle of the age — Armageddon. It is not an accident that this part of the world has been a constant subject of controversy and a center of confusion since the close of the World War.

The Contaminating Touch

In June 1916 the famous revolt in the desert was launched under the direction of Col. T. E. Lawrence, of the British intelligence department. This mass movement was in reality a rebellion on the part of Arabs living within the borders of Turkey, instigated by representatives of Great Britain, who had been carrying on secret activities for several years.

Lawrence begins one of his books with these words: "Arabs could be swung on an idea as on a cord; for the unpledged allegiance of their minds made them obedient servants."

The idea by which he gained the upper hand was a promise that, if victorious in the war, Great Britain would establish an independent Arab state to include Palestine. The Arabs accepted the pledge and rallied to the support of Lawrence, but in the spirit of diplomatic duplicity, the British leaders were at the same time making a deal with the international Jewish Money Power to turn the Holy Land over to the Jews, in return for pulling the United States into the World War. They knew the Wilson Administration to be Jewish controlled.

When it became evident at the Peace Conference, that England had no thought of keeping her word, Lawrence turned bitter and resigned from government service.

In 1919 he wrote a book of 400,000 words giving the whole story of his strange desert adventure. He told of the disappointment he sustained over the deceptive methods used in dealing with the gullible Arabs, who accepted at face value the promises he had been

instructed to give them. One day, he left his manuscript, notes and many photographs, in a handbag in a London railway station; it disappeared a few minutes later. Rumors have always persisted, to the effect that it was stolen on the order of high officials.

Palestine will continue to occupy the spotlight and hold the attention of the nations. Mussolini began cultivating the Mohammedan masses a few years ago and because of England's past treatment of them, they have shown a readiness to respond. Italian propaganda has penetrated deep into the Arab population of the Near East. Realizing this to be the case, England is again making friendly gestures toward those whom Lawrence said, were ruthlessly betrayed.

The contaminating touch of apostate Jewry will have so aroused the animosity of her Gentile environment, that by the time a large section of the race is definitely reestablished in Palestine, the land and the people will be subjects of aversion such as the world has never known. This will bring about the "Time of Jacob's Trouble." The judgments outlined in the prophecies will take place with deadly precision.

"Birth Pangs"

Out of the turmoil, a remnant will be saved. Suffering will drive a small portion of the race to repentance. They will be saved, not because they are Jews — but because they repent and accept the true Messiah.

There is no such thing as racial preferment, or racial salvation, in the sight of God. A Jew to share the blessings of Divine Grace must repent of sin and accept Jesus Christ, the same as any other nationality.

The closing events of the age are anticipated in Luke 21:26-27, "Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory."

The root meaning of the words "these things" is birth pangs. Out of human suffering and travail, in which the Jews will participate as they pass through the "Time of Jacob's Trouble," a new age will be born—to be ushered in by the return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

It has also been shown by Defender articles, that the revival of the old Roman Empire is a prophetic certainty.

We have decided to withhold our comprehensive treatise on trends in Western Europe until after the turn of the year, when political developments will have, in all probability, reached a greater degree of maturity — thus adding to reader interest.

At that time a large map, and companion article, to the one on Eastern Europe which appeared in the October Defender, will be published.

Be watching for it — in January!

— Wichita Headquarters.

ROME IN PROPHECY

Mussolini is playing a quiet game of watchful waiting in Europe's new war. However, he served notice a few days ago, that his Country would dictate the terms of peace at the end of the conflict.

These matters are of special interest to Bible students, who know how to interpret international events from the prophetic viewpoint.

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CHRISTMAS Eve finds bustling activity tapering down to slow motion, in one of the large cities of the east.

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It is a "white Christmas" and the many-patterned snowflakes descend lazily in the vicinity of Sycamore Boulevard. The residential district reflects the yuletide spirit. Artistic lights flash the message of peace and good cheer. Mr. Buswell, owner of a large furniture store, lives in the big house on the corner, and has constructed an elaborate electrical display reaching all the way across his front lawn, depicting the nativity scene.

This colorful exhibit is in sharp contrast to the drab appearance of a home a mile down the street and to the left of Sycamore, in the direction of the shop and factory district. John Saunders, his wife and two children, live at an alley entrance, near a steel mill, where the monotonous drone of machinery, the roar of giant trucks, and the dull thud of huge hammers may be heard both day and night. Their home is a hut, back from the alley.

John Milton Saunders seems dazed and strangely out of place in this environment. He is suffering from that sense of inferiority which comes when a man realizes he has failed to provide for those who look to him for food, clothing and shelter.

His eyes are inflamed. His lips are aquiver. He no longer tries to hide his tears from the rest of the family. The holiday spirit seems only to mock him.

Mrs. Saunders, a frail woman, whose ill-health has been a handicap ever since John Jr. was born eleven years ago, has shown far stronger qualities of endurance, in the face of adversity, than her husband. Even now, in the poverty to which they have been reduced, she is able to rise above circumstances and praise God out of a heart of victory.

Nowhere about the place is there a suggestion of the Christmas season. In fact, a panoramic view of the quarters, reflects only hunger and want. Every piece of furniture on the place, including a miserable stove in the center of the room about which the family of four are huddled, could be bought at Buswell's second-hand department for twenty dollars.

There is only one thing that tends to reflect the culture and refinement which John and Ethel Saunders en-

joyed the first few years of their married life, prior to the depression, and that is the set of rare volumes to be seen on a rough, unpainted shelf. An inspection of the books show them to be treatises on chemistry. Their presence would be a puzzle but for the fact that 20 years ago, as a young man, Saunders had shown a natural aptness toward chemistry by making special, intensive studies in this department of science.

After leaving college, he had specialized for a few years in research work. The subject always held a strong appeal to him. But with the coming of the depression and a prolonged illness on the part of his wife — handicaps proved too great, opportunities closed, home and friends were lost, and reverses combined to reduce them to their present unhappy state. His miserable plight, the hunger of his children, the physical suffering of his wife, seemed to torture him beyond endurance.

Absent minded, on this bleak Christmas Eve, he stooped to pick up a book which had fallen to the floor — a New Testament given them a few days earlier by a tract distributor who had been making calls in the neighborhood.

A moment later, he found himself leafing through its pages. As if by accident, his eyes fell upon the second chapter of St. John's Gospel. He began reading the passage where Jesus, at the request of His mother, changed six vessels full of water into wine.

Finishing the chapter, he laid the book aside. Then as if enjoying a lucid moment, there came a flash of his better self. His keen, analytical mind began to meditate upon the content of the record and he asked himself, "How could Jesus have turned water into wine?" John Saunders wanted to believe, but reason protested against the thought of miracles, as recorded in the Word of God, and he rebelled at the idea of the chemistry of water being changed into the chemistry of wine.

He reached for the old familiar reference book on the library shelf, turned through its well worn pages to a particular chapter dealing with the subject at hand, and began reading about the process of vinous fermentation. His mind followed easily in the scientific vernacular, as he read: "It is a phenomenon due to the catalytic action of the zymase of living micro-organisms or ferments known as Saccharomycetes, which are present upon the skins of all ripe grapes. When grapes are pressed, a large number of Saccharomycetes comprise the suitable yeast provided by nature and make it possible for the grape sugar, which represents fifteen per cent of the juice of all grapes, to be split up into ethyl alcohol and carbon dioxide."



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He knew what every chemist knows that fermentation involves a molecular readjustment of the carbon, hydrogen and oxygen atoms of grape sugar, without which wine cannot be produced.

"Christ never claimed to be an alchemist," Saunders meditated. "According to this story, He is supposed to have produced a substance without the necessary basic chemical ingredients, and in the absence of the action of organisms, or molecular redistribution. This is too much," he thought, "I can't accept it."

Just then his chain of thought was interrupted by a little white hand laid gently upon his knee. Mary Louise, the golden-haired daughter of seven, was whimpering, "Daddy, I'm awful hungry!"

John Saunders winced. "Mother," he cried, "we've got to do something about these children! I can't stand it any longer!" Realizing his helplessness, he buried his face in his hands and began to weep convulsively.

Mrs. Saunders quietly slipped to the side of her husband, placed a warm arm around his neck and said in her usual calmness, "John, we should pray. God wants us to trust Him."

After a few moments of silence, John Saunders, somewhat soothed by the poise of his wife, replied, "All right, dear, you pray. I know you believe in prayer. I don't. I can't understand how it works. What you call prayer, Ethel, is only mental suggestion. Assume you got an answer to prayer — it would be a violation of the laws of nature and that isn't possible."

"John, we must have faith when we pray. It is a mistake to try to explain spiritual things by physical means. The Apostle Paul said, 'The world by wisdom knew not God.'" With this word, Mrs. Saunders retired to the other room and he knew she had gone there to pray about the needs of the family.

II

In another section of the city, lived the Stillwells, a Christian family. They had known the Saunders in times past but had not been in contact with them for more than five years. Christmas Eve found their circle unbroken, all the members of the family were happily assembled in a living room that dazzled with the brilliance of tinsel.

"Merry Christmas," Dad Stillwell shouted as he stepped in the door, looking very much like a snowman which

the youngsters across the street had erected during the day.

"Let me help you with your coat, Dad," Raymond, his older son, said.

"No," replied the father. "May use it again in a few minutes. Got to thinking of John and Ethel Saunders today. Made an investigation and found where they live. Son, it's terrible what those people are suffering. I thought perhaps we could fix up a little something and take it over. Make us all feel better!"

His wife was the first to speak. "What do you mean, Luther? In what way is the family suffering?" Then Stillwell began to explain what he had discovered about the poverty, in which the Saunders were living.

"I'll make up a box from the kitchen," was Mrs. Stillwell's prompt rejoinder. Raymond and Marie, his wife, joined the chorus. Everybody had a suggestion to offer, every member of the family got busy — determined to spread Christmas cheer in a gloomy alley where a forgotten family was languishing in poverty and misery.

"Bravo, Dad," Raymond exclaimed, slapping his father on the back. "Marie and I will see what we can scrape up."

An hour later found the Stillwell family approaching the hovel of John Milton Saunders, loaded down with boxes of food and clothing. In response to Raymond's hearty knock, Saunders opened the door.

"Merry Christmas, John," bombed the voice of Luther Stillwell.

John Saunders was dumbfounded at the sight. He gulped and made an inarticulate sound as if shocked into surprised silence, but after an eternity he managed to say, "Why, hello, Stillwell. What are you doing . . . I mean — why, Merry Christmas to you."

It was Mrs. Saunders who finally had to say, "Won't you folks come in?"

A dramatic, heart-warming scene ensued. The boxes were opened with

much exclamation on the part of the Saunders children and the beaming joy of the Stillwell family. In his excitement, one of the Stillwell grandchildren knocked over a box on the table, and its contents fell to the floor.

"Look, Daddy," cried John Saunders, Jr., "shoes and stockings!"

John Milton Saunders was strangely silent. He looked upon the scene through eyes laden with tears, and with a heart that seemed it might break at any minute. After an hour or so of merrymaking, he led his friend, Stillwell, to a quiet corner, apologized for the appearance of the shack in which they were forced to live, reminisced a few minutes about better days before the depression, and said: "Luther, I have made a discovery tonight, more important than any ever made in a laboratory."

"What's that, John?" his old friend asked.

"Now, I can believe that Jesus changed the water into wine!" He noticed the puzzled expression upon the face of his friend, but did not interrupt himself to explain. "Jesus did not violate the laws of nature; He simply transcended them."

Stillwell could not understand what was going on in the mind of John Saunders, but nodded his head affirmatively in polite silence.

"I have witnessed a miracle tonight," he continued. "Ethel walks with God. Luther, I actually believe she talks with God! Her faith puts me to shame. This evening, she told me I should pray about . . . well — Luther, about these almost unbelievable conditions which have come upon us. I protested, for I had been reading the story of Christ changing water into wine, and by chemical analysis, I did not believe it could be done. But Ethel spent over an hour on her knees yonder in the back-room, before you folks came to call on us. Luther, I have this night seen the chemistry of prayer changed into the chemistry of food, clothing, shoes and stockings. . . ."

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The Lost Christmas -- "For God So Loved . . . That He Gave." John 3:16

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BY Presidential edict Thanksgiving Day was set ahead one week in order to provide twenty six, instead of twenty, shopping days between our day of thanks and Christmas.

In other words the President wanted to help American merchants by giving us shoppers six extra days to recover from our turkey buying spree, and to get ready to spend our substance on tinsel and tags and ribbon. Six extra days to replenish the family chest so we could buy more red neckties that uncles and cousins would never wear, more handkerchiefs that nephews would never use, and aprons and bracelets that aunts and nieces would bury in dresser drawers.

Yes, that Presidential proclamation is indicative of the modern spirit of Christmas, and of Thanksgiving. A day originally designated as a festival on which we would cease our labor and gather in our churches to thank Almighty God for His goodness, has become a day of sports and wining and dining. The day which commemorates the birth of our Lord, has become the culmination of a period of barter and exchange, imposed by the bondage of tradition.

We rush out at a late hour on Christmas Eve to buy a card or a gift to reciprocate for an unexpected remembrance, arriving on the late afternoon mail. We try to reconcile our shopping list and our pocketbook, but find funds exhausted while the list is still far from covered. Aunt Mary, mother's youngest sister, sent us a crochet cover for the bird cage last year and even though the bird had died the week before Christmas, and we had given the cage to a neighbor, still we are obligated to stretch the shopping budget to provide a present for Aunt Mary which will represent in intrinsic value, the cost of the crocheted bird cage cover. We push through crowded shops, glare at other shoppers who bump us, or step on our feet in the packed elevators, berate tired, weary clerks because the early shoppers bought what we thought we wanted.

With tired aching feet we board the overloaded buses and street cars, and stand to our destination with arms full of packages, and I fear if mental telepathy were a reality and Aunt Ella and Cousin John were apprized of what we were thinking, they would not appreciate the gifts we had so impatiently selected for them. We never did like the wife's sister's little brats but they brought an electric train to Junior last Christmas. True, it was a cheap thing and only ran a few weeks and since then has been in a box in the attic, but our American Christmas spirit says we must not be outdone by the in-laws, so we struggled through

the toy departments until we found one of those mechanical cranes; it probably won't work either after the first day, but it is a big package and makes a good showing.

And so on and on we go, *ad infinitum*, and all this is supposed to exemplify the spirit of Him Who though He was rich for our sakes, became poor, that we through His poverty might become rich. Some may defend our modern American Christmas, by claiming for it the spirit of unselfishness as evidenced by the millions of dollars spent on presents for others, *but I charge that in the morass of crass commercialism, Santa Claus folklore, and bacchanalian revelry, we have lost the spirit of Christmas!*

Nineteen hundred years ago a Star stood over a stable in a little Judean village, and Wise Men sought in the light of that Star, the promised Messiah.

The light of that Star has shone on through these nineteen centuries and wise men have continued to follow it, for it still leads to the One who is Altogether Lovely, the Fairest Among Ten Thousand, the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, and from the radiance of that Star of the Morning, the world has been bathed in purity and hope and love.

This miracle of the ages, when God took upon Himself the form of human flesh, was not an act of reciprocation. Men had forgotten God — part of a rebel creation, they had turned every one to his own way. God owed no consideration to the children of Adam. This was the *gift* of God — this incarnation through which life was to be provided for a race upon whom death had passed. Unworthy sinners were to be made the object of the perfect love of an infinite God. Blind beggars, tax

collectors, men reeking with the odor of the fish-nets, women of the streets, lunatics, and those enslaved by pride and riches and bigotry, were to become the recipients of omnipotent unmerited favor, *For God so loved . . . that He gave!*

Up from the squalor of poverty, and down from the splendor of thrones, came multiplied millions who were to take their places in the army of the Nazarene and march to the four corners of the earth to die for Him. Burning with fever, starving, freezing, braving malaria-infested swamps, risking the deathly loathsomeness of lepers camp, to carry the Water of Life and the Bread of Life to hungry, weary, thirsty heathen, with no promise on this earth of anything but privation and suffering. That is the spirit of Him Who so loved . . . *that He gave!*

The reciprocal spirit motivating our modern Christmas surely did not emanate from that Manger arena, where the drama of God's love was enacted. The true spirit of Christmas is a pioneer spirit. It is not the slave of custom or tradition. It does not wrap its gifts in gaudy tissue, but in kind words and thoughtful acts. It does not hang them on a decorated tree on one morning in the year, bearing the name tags of only close friends and loved ones, but dispenses them every day to friend and stranger.

Have you lifted some load in this year of 1939? Then you are worthy to be called a disciple of the Burden Bearer.

Have you bathed some fevered brow and watched by the bed of pain? Then you are worthy to be called a disciple of the Great Physician.

Have you mourned with the broken-hearted and wept with those who wept? Then you are worthy to be called a disciple of the Man of Sorrows.

Have you brushed away the tears of a little child? Then you are worthy to be called a disciple of the One who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

This is all the spirit of the God Who so loved . . . *that He gave!*

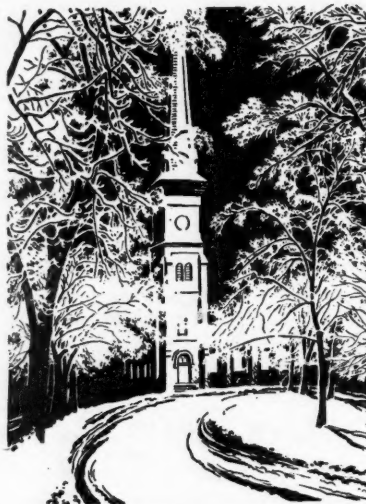
Do you have the charity of Him Who said, "Neither do I condemn you?"

Is your justice tempered with understanding? Then you can claim as your Master the One who said, "Blessed are the merciful!"

Have you learned to love your enemies? Then you are nearing perfection in the eyes of your Lord.

Peacemakers, not troublemakers, will be called the children of God. Have you learned to either speak well, or not at all, about your neighbor?

These may seem like little things but they are all part of that *gift program* that started in the manger of Bethle-



hem 1900 years ago. Through you, God wants the world to know Him, whom to know aright is life eternal. "Ye are my witnesses," "the salt of the earth," "the light of the world." Is your light so shining that men, seeing your works, glorify your Father in heaven? I fear there is little glory for the Father in mistletoe and holly, boisterous festivity and parsimonious giving. I fear there is little of the spirit of love in the selfishness, greed and ruthless competition of our commercialized Christmas.

Shop windows loaded with toys that poor children cannot have, and dainties that only the privileged few can afford! Merchants, through the medium of one of the worst curses ever to fall on the poor, the installment and extended payment plan, loading the poor with merchandise they will never be able to pay for! Can you by any stretch of generosity connect this cold, avaricious commercialism, with Bethlehem?

Sending out a few baskets with turkey and cake and nuts to the children of the poor on Christmas Eve, is a poor substitute for the spirit of Bethlehem.

Could a God, Who so loved an alienated, rebel race, that He gave His Son as a reconciliation, credit sincerity to the Christmas mockery of a Nation that for gain will risk the blood of its sons? A Congress and a President passing and signing a bill, that dooms to death on the battlefield thousands of the finest of youth? Legalizing the manufacture and sale of implements of human destruction? . . . and then hurrying to their homes in the forty-eight States, to put up Christmas trees and prattle of the spirit of Christmas, must be a stench in the nostrils of God. Prosperity for the Nation, they promise, but can we afford prosperity at the cost of blood? Better a thousand times that we have no prosperity, than pay such a price! Better that we starve, than permit the coronation of greed in our land! Better that our Gethsemane and our Calvary, if they must come, be consistent with our Bethlehem!

God so loved . . . that He gave! Love was the motivation which supplied the Gift of gifts. It behooves us to beware of bigotry and hatred, the spawn of propaganda.

Can there be any kinship between the spirit of war which is fast permeating this land, and the spirit of the One Who said it was not enough to love our friends, but that we must also love our enemies?

In this season of remembrance, may we join as a Nation in asking the One Who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift, to give us the gift of LOVE!

Love that will make us glad to go the second mile.

Love that will give us a spontaneous concern for the lame and the halt and the blind.

Love that makes it a joy to bear one another's burdens.

Love that will keep us in the foot-

steps of the One Who went about doing good.

Love that will loathe cheap, shoddy reciprocity and scorn the limitations of a day or a season.

Love that will emancipate us from the bondage of Kriss Kringle and make us dare the wrath of tradition.

Let us trade in our dilapidated 26-day shopping frolic, and replace it with the spirit of Bethlehem pervading 365 days.

A Typical Winchell Falsehood

Walter Winchell, Jewish columnist, published a statement a few days ago, that in 1937 Dr. Winrod and Fritz Kuhn met in Illinois. The statement was promptly denied. Winchell (real name Lipschitz) was challenged to submit proof. Said Dr. Winrod: "I have never met Mr. Kuhn or had any contact whatever with his organization." Commenting on the Winchell canard, a Preacher from New York writes "... and for that matter Kuhn appears to be a much better American than Winchell."

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THE man who pontificates overmuch concerning the immediate future of Europe runs the risk of losing his reputation as a prophet; for the muddled situation "over there" is kaleidoscopic, and it unrolls before a startled world like a phantasmagoria, the lights and shadows of which are obscured or accentuated with the trick mirrors of lying propaganda.

But it is both permissible and pertinent to apply the re-agent of logical analysis to a monstrous situation that soon may change, for one and all of us, the world in which we live. It is simply impossible to even approach an understanding of the present violence in Europe without a fair knowledge of the causes and issues of the great World War of some twenty years ago, of which the present conflict is both a corollary and the undoubted aftermath.

It was Patrick Henry who told us that we can only judge the future by the past; therefore, let us make an historical and philosophical approach to the analysis of that fierce bedlam which is Europe at war — a war into the maelstrom of which our own Country may soon be sucked and sunk — always remembering that neither history nor philosophy are partisan, but that truth is the great desideratum of both.

Who Started The World War And Why?

During the progress of the great World War, the vast majority of Americans believed that the German Kaiser and his Prussians were solely responsible for that great catastrophe. Many Americans now know better, but millions of our people still fasten sole blood guilt on the Kaiser and his military minions. But all historians and most scholars now know that it was not the Germans, but the French and Czarist Russians, who started the greatest war in all the history of mankind, and that the Kaiser did everything in his

power to stop it, even after the French and Russians had secretly mobilized their armies, and the Russians had crossed the eastern borders of Germany in four separate places.

To set the public right is generally a thankless task; for the average man, who has been duped for a quarter century, and has built up in his mind a mountain of prejudice based on monstrous lies, is rarely grateful to one who disabuses his mind of a long-fostered error.

Article 7 of the French constitution provides that the President of France may enter into *secret treaties* with foreign powers without reference to Senate or House of Deputies. In 1892 the President of France and Foreign Minister of Russia, with full knowledge and consent of the Czar, began negotiations for a treaty embodying complete plans for an attack on Germany, when the two powers had sufficiently strengthened their military forces. This treaty was secretly signed, sealed and delivered in 1894, twenty years before France and Russia finally touched off the great world conflagration in 1914, of which the wicked treaty was not only the precursor, but an almost perfect blue print.

During all these twenty years of cunning intrigue and restless preparation for the destruction of Germany, Czarist Russia was claiming headship of the Pan-Slav movement; her chief ambition being to secure for Russia a hegemony of the Balkans and ownership of the Dardanelles, which would give her outlet to the Mediterranean and expansion to the west, against which aims Germany stood like adamant. And so Germany must be destroyed.

The planned destruction of Germany harmonized perfectly with the French policy of "Revanche" (revenge). The French portion of the expected military loot was to be the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France, and French acquisition of the rich coal lands in the German Saar Basin.

Germany Arms

Meantime, Germany was not completely duped by the conspirators, nor was she completely innocent; for the exigencies of the continental situation in Europe caused Germany to organize and perfect the greatest military machine the world had ever seen up to that time. The Prussian spirit, encouraged and fostered in Nietzsche's philosophy of the German "superman," pervaded the whole German race, who began to sing "Deutschland Ueber Alles." This Prussian spirit had gotten off to a good start under the leadership of Bismarck and Von Moltke. But during the regime of Wilhelm II, Germany had no *irredenta* territory to reclaim, and it was clearly to Germany's interest to preserve the peace of Europe; for peace meant the continued prosperity of Germany at home and

the expansion of German trade abroad, however much that domestic prosperity and trade expansion might embarrass or disturb John Bull, who entered the World War for the *sole and only purpose* of weakening Germany as a trade rival, and to preserve British primacy on the high seas.

The secret treaty between France and Russia provided for a joint attack on Germany whenever Austria should attack Serbia. Serbia, being a Slavic nation, was used in Russia's Pan-Slav schemes as a sort of catspaw. The assassination of the Austrian Archduke at Sarejevo in Serbia at the close of June, 1914, was the Russian-inspired incident and the Russian-prepared match that set the world on fire.

Raymond Poincare, President of France, visited Russia in the early part of July, and plans were completed and agreed upon (secretly) for commencing the World War. About this time Kaiser Wilhelm had been on a yacht trip to the fiords of Norway, but rushed home and began to entreat Austria to refrain from attacking Serbia, fully realizing that such attack meant the probable destruction of the German Empire and the loss of his throne. In fact, the Kaiser set down in writing just such conviction July 30, 1914 and this declaration was found in the German archives by the Socialists, who were seeking damaging evidence against the Kaiser after his abdication.

The Kaiser kept up his almost frantic efforts to prevent war up to 5 P. M., August 1, 1914, and did not issue his order for mobilization of the German troops until 7:10 P. M. of that same day; while the French had ordered mobilization four days previously, and Russia had started the war eight days before that date and was then crossing the eastern border of Germany in four separate places. There is ample proof, too, that England had decided to enter the war against Germany, long before hostilities began.

On May 29, 1914, Colonel Edward M. House wrote President Wilson from Europe: "Whenever England consents, France and Russia will close in on Germany." Six separate times Sir Edward Grey denied before Parliament that

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there were any commitments; although he had already worked out with the French and Russian representatives, in secret, plans for full military cooperation against Germany. The now uncovered archives disclose that the diplomats and military experts of the Entente Allies had convinced themselves in advance that when Germany was attacked by France, she would seek to get at her ancient foe through Belgium. And so, when Germany did invade Belgium, England used that invasion as a subterfuge to cover her entry into the World War.

Now, this writer is not pro-German and never has been; but he is a stickler for the truth ("Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.") Every fact and incident set forth in this article is supported by ample bibliography, and could be thoroughly documented, if space permitted. Those who are interested in fuller evidence may consult the English Yellow Paper and the French Yellow Book, published several years after the war; Rene Marchand's "Un Livre Noir" (black book), and our own Congressional Record for December 18, 1923 (pp 355 to 399), and much additional indisputable evidence — voluminous records, in fact.

No Ideology In Genesis Of World War

The unvarnished truth concerning the late World War is that none of the European contestants entered that titanic struggle because of *ideology*. That war started simply as a combination of border brawl, power struggle and international gangster melee. The "preservation of democracy" was a belated and cunning afterthought to beguile and inveigle America. And when we did go in, we entered that war "to make the world safe for democracy" alongside that distinguished democrat, the late Czar of Russia, and that gentle old humanitarian, "Tiger" Clemenceau! In common parlance, Uncle Sam got his leg pulled. He lost his money and much of the respect of those whose skins he saved; for it is a truism that confidence men rarely respect their victims. And so it was with the Entente Allies toward us; for when they had inveigled Uncle Sam, by false pretense and lying propaganda, into placing his billions on their international shell game, expecting to find the pea of democracy under the big shell, but seeing Communism and near-chaos pop out instead, and demanded his money back, he was answered with a loud insulting hiss: "Uncle Shylock!"

The World War introduced America to something new under the sun — international war propaganda, which is international lying on a gigantic scale. The European participants in the great war had formerly been engaged in the rivalry of construction and production; but now they turned to destruction on the most gigantic scale the world had

ever witnessed. From first to last they destroyed four hundred thousand million dollars worth of property — not money but things. Replacements becoming necessary, the contestants turned to America with its resources unlimited and a manufacturing skill par excellence. They all sought to curry favor with Uncle Sam. The experience of the wandering Ulysses among the sirens and on the enchanted isle of Calypso was a tame and drab affair compared with the courtship of Uncle Sam by the warring nations of Europe. They tried on us every trick known to the subtle art of seduction. There was blustering and lying and honeyfoggling and lamenting and cajoling and entreating and flatteries, sweeter than the honey of the Hybla bees.

The German in good humor is a good-natured, orderly, thrifty, moral, industrious, intelligent and exemplary citizen; in witness whereof, just consider twenty-five million German Americans; that is to say, full-blooded Germans and those with some German blood in their veins. They are almost never found in jails or alms houses, and they are not gangsters — never. But when a German gets "mad" he is just plain mad. Germany never did and never will understand American psychology.

Prussian bluster and German "schrecklichkeit" (frightfulness) alienated American opinion and sympathy. On the other hand, we were intrigued with French sang froid; but, O, that English nonchalance and propaganda!

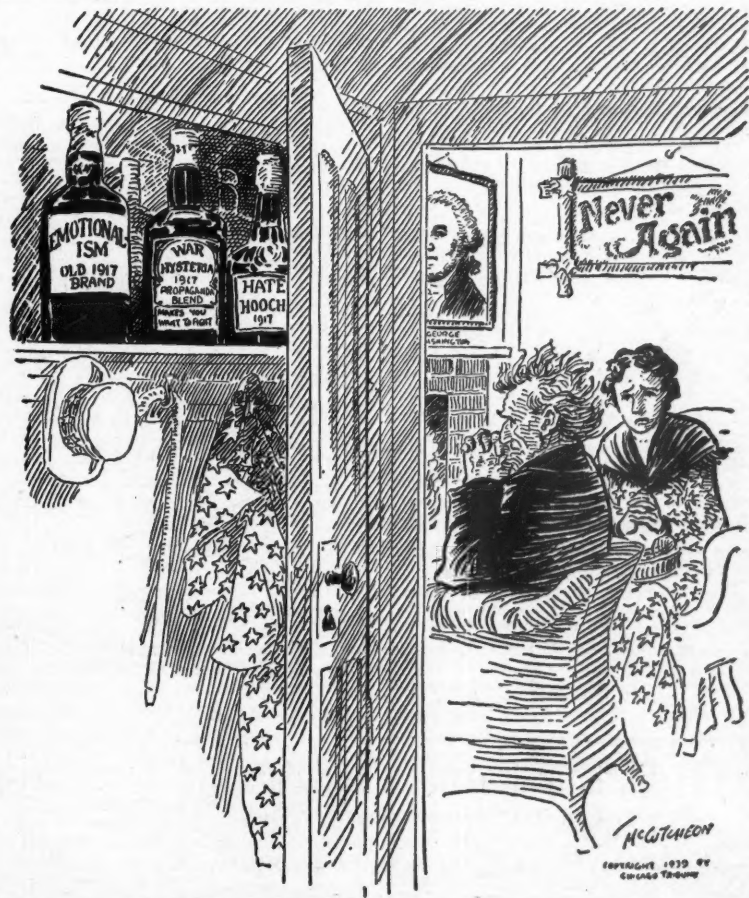
The late lamented Barnum was of the opinion that there is a sucker born every minute; but John Bull turned a hundred and twenty million shrewd Yankees into plain suckers, — almost over night. Of course, he accomplished that feat by diabolical, lying propaganda against the Germans. The English made us believe that the Germans were boiling the bodies of their dead to get fats; were cutting off the hands of Belgian children; and they were crucifying Allied soldiers. Of course, we found out afterwards that all these tales of atrocities were nothing but devilish lies; but not until more than a hundred thousand young Americans had been slain, another quarter million crippled and diseased, and we had, from first to last, experienced a cost in treasure of nearly forty billion dollars — in fact, until the nation was dragged to the brink of the precipice.

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ade of Germany with her mighty fleet, intent to starve Germany into subjection, Germany could only meet that attempt to starve her millions of women and children with her under-sea craft, known as "U-boats." Now there is something majestic about a great merchantman or battleship, costing many millions of dollars, and something essentially "sneaky" about an under-sea boat that slips up to a mighty floating-fort or floating-palace and launches a torpedo to send the mighty ship to Davy Jones' locker, and the crew and passengers are forced to take to the life boats; or, perchance, a few are killed or drowned. Then the whole world throws up its hands in horror. But when an armed merchantman shoots it out with a submarine and sinks it, or a destroyer drops a depth bomb and sends a U-boat with its entire crew to the bottom; or when the bully of the seas starves millions and millions of women and innocent, helpless children, why that's "poetic justice!" The world applauds! The philosopher and the thinker, who take the long-view, know that war is hell, any way you take it, and no matter who prosecutes it.

The by-products of the World War and the Versailles Peace Treaty are many and varied for Europe — the present conflict there, its Fascism, Nazism and Communism, its Bolshevism, red and brown, its starved millions, and its Hitlers and its Stalins. For America the greatest calamity of that war was not its loss of men and treasure, but in the destruction of ideals, the lowering of the moral tone among our people, and the slipping of the mooring chains of our Ship of State and the re-charting of its course on the troublesome and treacherous sea of internationalism.

It was not propaganda alone that got us into the World War. There was much under-cover intrigue and hidden commitment, even when we elected Woodrow Wilson for the second time, because "he kept us out of war," even though he and his *alter ego*, Colonel Edward Mandell House, maneuvered us into the conflict within six months after this writer had voted for Wilson the second time.

Wilson was a successful college professor with a big chin and an Olympian complex — an idealist who was something of an impractical dreamer. He

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was absolute putty in the hands of Colonel House who was a dilettante politician, and the profoundest schemer who ever lived on this continent, not excepting Aaron Burr, who was more brilliant and spectacular than House, but less cunning and successful. House is the man who wrote and published *Philip Dru-Administrator*, which was a perfect blue print for the New Deal. It was put out clandestinely, and then withdrawn when it was found to actually let the pink-red cat out of the bag.

Colonel House was an internationalist at heart, who early fell in with the Warburgs and other internationalists who came into control of our banking system. He flitted back and forth across the Atlantic, into the courts of monarchies and the foreign offices of European governments, and collaborated and conspired with foreign Jews for the establishment of the League of Nations.

It is easy to understand why international Jewry favored a League of Nations — it was, in fact, a Jewish concept — for they, being skilled internationalists, could dominate it; and then it would furnish a clearing house for the difficulties of the Jews in all nations. In truth, it would just about make the Jew the "top dog" in the whole world. The persuasions of Colonel House and Wilson's own impractical dreaming got Wilson entangled in internationalism — a plain violation of the traditions and policy of America for more than a century and a quarter.

American "Isolationism"

The internationalists who would drag America into the interminable power-squabbles of Europe, and the international gangsterism of the world, sneeringly refer to those of us who think that Uncle Sam already has about as big a job as he can properly attend to, as "isolationists" who are "insular." But the fact is that America has not been completely "insular" or "isolationist" since President James Monroe declared, in 1817, that any attempt of a foreign power to gain a foothold on the western hemisphere would be considered an unfriendly act. The Monroe Doctrine has been redeclared by many succeeding Presidents; and since it was first declared, the Philippines have come to us, and islands in the Caribbean. Alaska and Hawaii are among our far-flung possessions. We have assumed the guardianship of all Central and South America.

Now all this gives any President a big enough job, except he be a universal meddler, with a big chin and an Olympian complex, and cursed with a tendency to break all precedents and tear out all our traditions by the roots. America has room enough for six times

our present population, but only seven per cent of the world's population and fifty per cent of the world's minerals. This is the machine age, which cannot function without minerals. The internationalists are Bolshevik radicals who have their eyes on our minerals. But we must attend strictly to our own business, arm sufficiently on land, sea and in the air to protect ourselves, and stay out of the quarrels of Europe. The boys who endured the mud and lice of Flanders fields and got back home are not internationalists. Ask any member of the American Legion.

The specious argument of the internationalists that the United States cannot keep out of the quarrels of Europe, though separated from them by the Atlantic Ocean, is completely exploded by the fact that Holland and Denmark, Norway and Sweden, next door to the

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Versailles Peace Treaty

The Versailles alleged Peace Treaty furnished the provocative foundation for the present war in Europe. It was a whitewash for the international thimblegriggers, and a document of doom for their victim. The United States was *particeps criminis* in that wicked treaty, for Germany had surrendered and disarmed on the assurances of justice and equity contained in Wilson's "Fourteen Points." When Germany was disarmed and helpless, Clemenceau, Lloyd George and Company figuratively placed a gun at Germany's head and forced her to sign acknowledgment of sole war guilt. Germany was stripped of her colonies and made bondman to France.

Wilson reluctantly signed that monstrous document of false pretense and returned to America broken hearted. Had he been a Grover Cleveland, instead of the visionary ex-college professor that he was, he would have refused to sign a document forever fastening injustice and false pretense on his nation, and withdrawn our armies from Europe, which would have brought the madmen on the Peace Committee to such senses as they may have possessed. And this accentuates the asininity of the American electorate in placing an impractical dreamer in the Chief Executive position in the world, a blunder repeated in 1932 — a transcendent blunder in which this writer, a life-long Democrat was not one of the guilty blunderers. Glory be!

The treaty of Versailles shackled Germany, destroyed her government and introduced near-chaos among that orderly people. Every form and type of radical floated to the surface and became highly vocal. They tried to have a republic, and some pretended that the country was experiencing "democracy." There were 34 different and distinct political parties. Karl Radek-Sobelson, the most cunning of all red propagandists, who was Stalin's stooge and spy in his recent purge of his leading generals, led a number of his most subversive Jewish propagandists into Germany and made abortive attempts to lead Germany into Jewish Bolshevism in 1918-1923, 1924-1929, 1930-1933. Into this bedlam and chaos in Germany Adolph Hitler injected himself as a new so-called messiah, to lead the orderly German from political confusion to systematic unity.

Hitler succeeded in breaking the Versailles treaty, recovering the Saar Basin, effecting *anschluss* with Austria and re-arming the nation without fir-

ing a shot — except at some recalcitrant followers. He made the Germans believe that the Jews had sold them out — that the Jews were responsible for the inflation, which left the Jews holding sixty-five per cent of all the property in Berlin and elsewhere, and fifty per cent of all the best jobs in Germany, although the Jews constituted less than one per cent of the population. Hitler put it up to the Germans to decide between the Jewish ownership and domination of the country, or domination and ownership by the ninety-nine per cent German population.

Human nature being what it is, it is not strange that the Germans decided against the Jews, and in favor of Hitler. And the Jews, being possessed of as much human nature as anybody else, everywhere decided against Germans and Germany generally, and against Adolph Hitler in particular. In the United States the Jews have maintained a formidable boycott against Germany ever since Hitler came to power — a boycott against a nation with which we are at peace, and which has cost America hundreds of millions of dollars in loss of foreign trade, and greatly interfered with recovery. Not only that, but our President has sent two insulting messages to Hitler, and a number of his pink-red cabinet members have most blatantly and violently broadcast silly insults to the German government. Because of these insults to a friendly nation and its leader, American Hebrews have given medals to Mr. Roosevelt — "for distinguished service to Jewry."

These facts are not set forth as a condemnation of Hitler's brutalities toward the Jews, nor as an exculpation of Hitler crimes, but as an explanation of the Hitler successes. Certain it is that Germany produced many worthy and distinguished Jews — scholars, scientists and musicians. Such Jews should really blame their misfortunes on the wicked Versailles treaty, and the atheistic, Communistic Jews, such as Karl Radek-Sobelson, who came into Germany after the war to lead Germany into Bolshevism — making Hitler and Hitlerism possible. The Jews should have separated their goats from their sheep. And that goes for the United States, too. Instead of furnishing half the leadership, membership and audiences of Communism in the United States, the Jews here should stop Jewish subversiveness, quit crying on the shoulders of Christians, and stop hiring "Gentile Stooges" to smear Christian patriots who defend our way of life against the Jewish ultra-radicals.

Hitler constructed one bit of mechanism which may turn out to be his undoing. He has developed a Napoleonic complex. But when the Austrian lance

corporal, who sits in the seat of Frederick the Great, permitted his feet to become entangled in the red spiderweb of the super-bandit and arch murderer who sits in the Kremlin, patiently waiting for the nations of western Europe to bleed themselves white so that his trained red vultures can sweep down upon them and pick the bones — it was then that he made a bid to fate to go down in history as Adolph the Simple. His deal with Stalin brought Germany to an *impasse*, closing the doors to German expansion to the east; while there is a wall of steel to the west which he likely cannot pass. The long arm of the "Hidden Hand" has finally closed the trap on him.

It cannot be denied by any shrewd and dispassionate observer that the Jews — the Rothschilds, Sassoons, Samuels, Montefiores, *et al* — absolutely control England. England's pretended horror at the rape of Poland only extends to Adolph Hitler, and not to Stalin: for on October 26, 1939, Lord Halifax, in the English House of Lords,

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and Prime Minister Chamberlain, in the House of Commons, both endorsed Stalin's red rape of the eastern half of Poland. That endorsement, of course, also put the stamp of approval on Stalin's dispossession of property owners and the closing of all the Catholic churches in the newly Communized Poland. "Perfidious Albion!" O, the puppets of the "Hidden Hand" are dallying!

And the "Hidden Hand" has its trusty minions in Russia, too, where the Jews are said to hold about eighty per cent of the best jobs, and where Dictator Stalin and his Foreign Minister, Molotov, are both married to Jewesses. When it is necessary for Russia to attack Germany, the "Hidden Hand" has the stage set on that front.

And the "Hidden Hand" has an especially fine set-up in the United States to further its plans to destroy Germany, which it must do or be under the necessity of moving nearly a half million Jews from Germany during the next three years, *such necessity being behind the present war*. Our own Secretary of State is married to a Jewess. Our Secretary of the Treasury is a Jew, as is the head of our Federal Reserve system, also. The foreign-born Jew, Felix Frankfurter, had over one hundred of his so-called "hot dog boys" placed around Roosevelt in advantageous positions; these ultra-radicals being what General Hugh Johnson calls the "White House janissariat," and others call the "palace guard." Then the bill repealing the arms embargo was introduced by Jewish Congressman Sol Bloom.

The battle on the so-called neutrality bill raged around the provision to lift the embargo on arms shipment, and the provisions for ninety-day credits or cash-and-carry. How Roosevelt and his sly minions must have laughed up their sleeves; for neither House nor Senate debated the *real crux* of the bill, which was the *absolute power it confers on Roosevelt in time of peace*. He can declare an emergency any time he sees fit and do almost anything he sees fit — even suppress this truthful and timely article and put its author in jail. What a difference between Thomas Jefferson and Franklin Delano Roosevelt! When Jefferson was placed in Washington's cabinet, as an offset to the autocratic Hamilton, Mr. Jefferson urged upon Washington and his fellow cabinet members to limit their powers and restrain personal ambition. But scarcely a bill ever comes before the Congress but that added powers are given to Roosevelt. It is certainly a far cry from Jefferson to Roosevelt, indeed!

Depend on it: if the "Hidden Hand" can't destroy Hitler with the English and French armies, Russia will be call-

ed in. And if that does not turn the trick, America will be dragged in. The stage is perfectly set.

The Puppets Are Dallying

The sham battles in Congress do not fool as many people as truckling politicians think. Those who have eyes to see, know that the puppets are already dallying. About a year ago the English newspapers quit calling our Uncle Sam "Uncle Shylock," for Britain had decided to send her King and Queen on a visit to America to "chawm" the people of the United States into a pro-English attitude. The visit seems to have been a success, for recently the feminine gender in the White House has been very noticeably cultivating an English accent, and Mr. Roosevelt has complete-

ly reversed his former attitude on neutrality.

A good many who favored lifting the arms embargo did so because they believed it would make money for America. To all such we may very justly apply Shakespeare's aphorism:

"The jingling of the guinea helps the hurt that honor feels."

We have already entered the present European war on the *economic front*. Many of us are left wondering just how long we can keep off the *military front*. The man who makes his living by selling arms and ammunition to one set of gangsters, not only lays himself open to attack by the opposite set of gangsters, but finds himself in logical position to moralize concerning the evils of gangsterism.

Dr. W. D. Herrstrom, Prophetic Analyst

THE Apostle Paul wrote in his first letter to the Corinthians:

"Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy. He that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort."

Prophetic discernment is a gift of the Spirit.

The Scriptures were written under divine inspiration. Prophecy occupies a large place in the sacred Book. The Infinite Mind Who inspired the writing of the prophecies, must be contacted, in order to understand and rightly interpret their contents.

The relation of world events to prophetic truth cannot be ferreted out like, for instance, one might examine a chemical formula — depending upon human wisdom. No! The message of the Word of God must be *revealed* to the heart and mind of the truth-seeker by the Holy Spirit. The capacity for discerning prophetic trends, comes as the result of inner spiritual illumination.

In Romans 8:6-7, we read: "To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life. The carnal mind is enmity against God."

The same thought is emphasized in First Corinthians 2:14, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

All Modernistic, Atheistic and Agnostic literature is but a commentary on the five words, "*neither can he know them*." The natural man lacks capacity for appreciating spiritual values. Moreover, his attitude toward re-

vealed truth is negative, by virtue of the state of his carnal mind.

A person may be sincere; he may have a cultural and educational background, but unless he knows the Holy Spirit personally, *experientially* — he remains carnally minded, in an attitude of enmity toward God.

The man with an uncircumcized heart cannot expect to get much out of reading the prophetic Scriptures. He may examine them, but their message will remain meaningless. Why? Because he lacks spiritual discernment.

His position is not unlike that of the lady who, viewing a great work of art, complained that she could not "see anything in it." To which the artist replied, "Don't you wish you could?"

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Dr. W. D. Herrstrom, author, traveler and evangelist, is recognized as being one of the most accurate and capable prophetic analysts in public life today. His spiritual anointing as a preacher of the Gospel and student of Bible prophecy, is unmistakable.

It was my recent privilege to interview this well-known Christian leader. His cordial smile and a friendly remark relieved all tension on my part. The interview having terminated, I came away feeling that I had talked with a man who belongs to the race of people whom one writer has aptly called "God's giants."

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Dr. Herrstrom has for years enjoyed a successful public ministry. His bold thrusts in defense of historical and evangelical Christianity as against the encroachments of modern infidelity, has made him one of the most colorful figures in the American pulpit. "Modernism," he declares, "is a soul-murdering counterfeit Christianity invented by the Father of Lies for the purpose of damning souls, and I shall hurl the Cross of Christ in its gnashing teeth as long as He gives me breath . . . I will earnestly contend for the Faith until vile men take their unholy hands off my Lord."

Rome's Revival Predicted

This is the day of the specialist. Paul the Apostle was a specialist. He said, "This one thing I do."

Dr. Herrstrom has established himself as a specialist in his particular sphere of service. During the past five years, he has devoted his time largely to travel, observation, investigation, writing and lecturing. In the year 1937, he made a sixteen thousand mile tour of Europe, Syria, Palestine, Egypt and other countries in the Mediterranean area.

Just a few months ago he completed a forty thousand mile globe-girdling tour, revisiting some of the countries of Europe, in addition to touring parts of Africa and Asia. His itinerary included Burma, the Malay Peninsula,

China, Japan and the Hawaiian Islands.

He says that the primary purpose of his travels is to observe how current history is being poured into the molds of Bible prophecy. Knowing that news dispatches at home and abroad are censored or poisoned with propaganda, he prefers to make personal observations and get firsthand material, in order to correlate facts and speak authoritatively on the issues of the day.

"The Christian who is a careful student of prophecy will not be alarmed at the developments of the present hour," says Dr. Herrstrom.

I asked him what he thought was the most important prophetic development of the last five years. He replied without the least hesitation, "The revival of the Old Roman Empire."

"A few months ago I stood on the Imperial Way in Rome and saw actual proof that ancient Rome has been revived. This is, in my opinion, the greatest fulfillment of prophecy since Pentecost.

"Four large maps of inlaid marble were erected by Mussolini in 1927 showing the old Roman Empire during various stages of its history. A fifth map showing the present empire was erected in 1936 after the conquest of Ethiopia. The following title appears on the fifth map: 'L'Impero Dell Italia Fascista A XIV.' In our language this might be rendered, 'The Empire of Fascist Italy in the Year Fourteen.'"

Dr. Herrstrom explained that the revived Roman Empire does not yet include all the territory it once embraced, but doubtlessly the stage is being set to increase the boundaries of reborn imperial Rome. He shows in his books and lectures how the prophecies of Daniel and Ezekiel are thus being fulfilled.

Soviet Russia's Technique

During the interview Dr. Herrstrom explained what, in his opinion, are the more dangerous potentialities of the present Mediterranean situation. He told me that if Mussolini so desired, he could take Syria and Palestine at any time now, while Britain and France are engaged in the struggle along the Maginot Line.

He says the Arabs hold the balance of power, not only in these two countries, but throughout northern Africa. These Nomad tribes are almost universally opposed to Britain and France, but they entertain a friendly attitude toward Mussolini's new Fascist Empire. This is due largely to intensive Italian propaganda carried on, throughout the Mediterranean area, the last several years. In event of war, the Arabs would be allied with the Fascists, and the annexation of these territories to the revived Roman Empire would involve a mere formality."

I asked Dr. Herrstrom for a statement in connection with the present war situation. He asserted that, according to Bible prophecy, England and France will eventually be annexed to the new Roman Empire. It is possible, he believes, that the outcome of the present war will see this take place. If the war continues for sometime, it is entirely probable that Rome will extend its borders to include all of the territory bordering on the Mediterranean.

The Analyst expanded his remarks by saying that the Russo-German al-

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liance was another important link in the prophetic chain, since it was suggested in Ezekiel 38. A formidable military machine resulting from this alliance, will eventually swoop toward the South and absorb territory which will give them a land route probably as far as the Indian Ocean.

"Russia hopes to dominate Germany," he says, "if she can get France, England, and the United States to wear the Reich down to the breaking point. Soviet Russia's technique is to get other nations to do her fighting. She is still engaged in promoting world revolution."

Dr. Herrstrom believes that America can keep out of the present struggle if sufficient sentiment is mobilized to thwart the efforts of inspired propagandists. He bases his opinion upon the fact that Scripture does not indicate the United States will participate in the struggles of the Old World until the time of the Great Tribulation. He affirms that the present war will not culminate in Armageddon. The Antichrist must first appear, whose reign will begin by establishing artificial world peace.

This peace, to be based upon force, will only be temporary. The prophecies tell of a terrible slaughter, to follow the breathing spell of peace, in which all the nations of the world will be involved. He believes the present struggle will set the stage for the coming world dictator — the Antichrist.

Japan and the Far East

"Our participation in Europe's war means immediate dictatorship for this Country," he says. The machinery for regimentation already exists. The penalty for criticism of the anticipated dictatorship has been determined. Upon a moment's notice, this machinery can be set in motion.

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government will disappear from the globe. Therefore, Christians everywhere should work and pray, to the end that America will be spared the conditions now existing in Europe."

Dr. Herrstrom was asked what he believed would be the next important prophetic development. He replied without hesitancy that, according to Bible prophecy, a rift will occur between the Fascist and the Soviet-German alliance. German territory was not a part of the Old Roman Empire. Therefore, permanent collaboration between Germany and Italy is impossible. On the surface, England's foreign policy drove Russia and Germany together, but there is a prophetic surge moving under the surface which only spiritually-minded people may understand.

He describes Japan's rise to prominence as "significant" to the student of Bible prophecy. "Japan," he says, "is referred to in Revelation 16:12, where mention is made of 'the kings of the east,' which means literally, 'the kings of the sunrise.' This indicates that Japan will retain her national identity down to the closing years of the age, for a great Eastern Confederacy participates in the battle of Armageddon. Japan and Russia will eventually rule Asia.

"According to Bible prophecy, there are to be three major confederacies of nations in the end of the age — the Revived Roman Empire, the Russo-German alliance, and a great power in the Orient. These are all in the process of formation at the present time."

Dr. Herrstrom believes that the world is headed toward an eventual one-man dictatorship under the Antichrist. War helps pave the way for dictatorship. The wars in the end of the age are demon-inspired, according to Revelation 16:14, which reads: "The spirits of devils . . . go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."

New Magazine Launched

There is a definite move on the part of Christian people toward the study of Bible prophecy. Ever increasing numbers are becoming interested in the subject. This in Dr. Herrstrom's opinion is a hopeful sign. The spiritual life of the Country will ignite in revival fires if a sufficient number of people will begin studying the Word of God.

Our Analyst is a prolific writer. He is the Author of several books which have enjoyed a circulation reaching into the tens of thousands. Some of his leading prophetic titles are as follows: "The Revived Roman Empire," "Mussolini and Fascism," "Judgment Day for Everybody," "The Seven Judgments," "The Golden Key to Bible Interpretation," "War Preparations and International Suicide," and "The Five Horsemen of the Apocalypse." He contributes regularly to several religious publications, having had recent articles in thirty-five different magazines.

Dr. Herrstrom has this month consented to return temporarily to the Akron Bible Church, Akron, Ohio, which he founded ten years ago. He will conduct regular broadcasts over one of the most powerful radio stations in Ohio during the coming few months.

His latest effort is the launching of a magazine to be called "Bible News Flashes." He announces that it is to be published monthly and will deal with latest developments in the realm of Bible prophecy, at the same time seeking to encourage general Bible study. Photographs of interest, obtained by him during his travels abroad, will be used to illustrate some of the early messages scheduled to appear in the new magazine.

On behalf of *The Defender*, your Staff Writer welcomes *Bible News Flashes* into the field of prophetic journalism and wishes for it, and its Editor, the greatest success in this commendable venture.

— Staff Writer

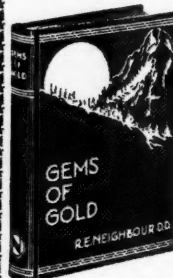
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WHAT we call sanitation, God, in a sense, calls physical sanctification; and what we call right living, He calls righteous living.

What we see to be desirable, or good, He calls virtuous. Only those things whose physical effects or ultimate outworkings were baneful, were forbidden by Him as morally bad. Moral authority rests just here, in that the thing condemned as immoral will eventually produce baneful physical results.

To those who would enjoy His greatest mercies of health and happiness, God in the Law specifically describes the various birds, fishes and animals whose flesh may be safely eaten, and forbids the use of the others. He, for instance, especially prohibited the eating of swine's flesh, and licenses as eatable the bodies of only such animals as "divided the hoof and chewed the cud." Why was this distinction made? It has a reason in the deep-seated nature of things; but it is primarily physiological, dietetic, and hygienic rather than a moral question.

The animal that chewed the cud and divided the hoof, such as the ox, sheep, goat, deer, buffalo, etc., because of the sacculated condition of the alimentary canal and the secondary cud receptacle, have practically three stomachs, as refining agencies and cleansing laboratories, for the purifying of their food; thus weeding out from their systems most of the poisonous and deleterious matter.

It thus takes clean, vegetable food over twenty-four hours to be turned into flesh, which flesh even the pre-Mosaic Law said was "clean." This was not mere "ceremonial" cleansing, but it was hygienically and physiologically and dietarily clean and wholesome. There is practically but one disease in the human system and that is blood poison from wrong living. This takes on a thousand symptoms and the doctors give these many foreign names.

The dietary habits of all such vegetarian animals were also clean, in comparison with that of the omnivorous swine. On examining the swine's anatomy, we find that, as a supplement to his bad appetite he has but one poorly constructed stomach arrangement, and very limited excretory organs generally. Consequently, in about three hours after he has eaten his

polluted swill, putrid carrion, or other offensive matter, man may eat the same in second-hand style off the ribs of the pig.

This flesh the Law condemns as unclean; not merely ceremonially unclean, but hygienically and physiologically as well. In the nature of things, it is gross, diseased, and deadly; manufactured out of the basest and most diseased and polluted material, and in the crudest and speediest way. *The diet of the pig is so deadly that it generally kills the animal itself in about eight or ten years.* This is possibly caused, in part at least, by the powerful disinfectant and germicidal element that nature kindly thrusts into the system of all carnivorous and some omnivorous creatures.

Swine Under A Curse.

The swine is a scavenger, the turkey buzzard of the animal kingdom, the hyena or jackal of civilization; and, notwithstanding the preaching of some to the contrary, God has never cleansed or sanctified or transformed him. Even his hams have to be "cured."

Those who kept this divine and pre-Mosaic Law were to be blessed with health and happiness, and those who broke it were to be cursed with disease and death; but the bliss or blight is automatic and imparted, in measure, as men act. The flesh of the swine is, by many authorities on the subject, said to be the prime cause of much of our American ill-health; causing blood diseases, weakness of the stomach, and liver troubles; also consumption, cancer, tumors, eczema, etc.

These deadly diseases were scarcely known among the non-pork-eating Jews when they observed the Law. *There is said to be no word for cancer in the original Hebrew language, nor is the word in the New Testament, because God's eastern people were not swine-eaters.* Our cold western winters largely form our slim defense against blood poison and death from our base bill of fare.

If you examine carefully you will find a small abrasion behind the front foot of the pig. Rub it off clean and press the leg, just above the abrasion, and you may squeeze a teaspoonful of dirty matter from it. This is original pork gravy. It is an outlet to a sewer-pipe that may be traced all through

the animal's body. It helps to drain off the teeming filth with which the system is filled. If this external opening becomes clogged, the animal will run about and grunt and rub his leg on anything handy, and manifest great pain. He seems almost to know that he will soon sicken of so-called "cholera" and blood-poison, and die of his own internal filth, unless he keeps this sewer open.

On a close analysis of this filthy scrofulous serum, or the "culture" of its bacilli under varied conditions, it is seen to contain the elements of many dangerous diseases and combinations; yet how toothsome is pickled pig's feet to ignorance, unbelief, and disobedience. It is this internal and intrinsic vileness that causes a large percentage of our hogs to be filled with trichina and results in such havoc to human health.

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HEALTH.

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Grunts And Squeals

We might be excused for diverting our attention from the scientific side of this discussion long enough to insert a few remarks on this Heaven-forbidden American delicacy. This creature that has been condemned both logically and theologically, takes precedence with ignorance, over all the creatures of creation as an article of diet. He, of all creatures, is literally devoured.

His body is eaten, his head is turned into head cheese, and even his ears and tail inserted. His blood is turned into blood pudding; his stomach is transformed into tripe; his feet are pickled; his intestines are used for sausage covers; his heart, liver, and kidneys are cooked; and his very bristles are sought for wax ends, etc. There is not even his "grunt" left unused, for the transgressors against God's and nature's laws take up this undesirable remnant, and "grunt" with disease and "squeal" in pain caused by their folly. Surely a man is what he eats! Is the Law against this dirty, deadly diet obsolete? Ask the dyspeptic, the cancerous victim, or the consumptive.

As articles of diet, Moses condemns by name and description all purely carnivorous birds and animals, and modern science discovers a poisonous substance in their flesh — a secondary result of flesh-eating. His description is practically the distinction between the turkey and the turkey buzzard.

To see that diet has much to do with disposition as well as disease, one has but to compare the vegetarian animals, such as the ox, sheep, deer, goat, buffalo, horse, etc., with the flesh-eating lion, tiger, lynx, jaguar, cat, etc. Hygienic and dietary science today in every land, acknowledge a basic soundness in these Mosaic and pre-Mosaic prohibitions.

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The fowls and fishes sanctioned by the Mosaic bill of fare, are designated on this same principle of eternal fitness, in the nature of things. The creatures rejected are insectivorous or carnivorous, or have a dearth of digestive and assimilative purity, and those that are accepted have a distinctive gizzard and scale-arrangement that constitutes a peculiar grinding, refining and cleansing laboratory, which, with their purer dietary, largely assure physiological exemption from disease in their flesh.

Moses, A Scientist

This is especially true of the pheasant family, including the chicken and turkey. Their dirty diet would make their bodies deadly were it not for the peculiar gizzard-like arrangement. The scale-less fishes and all shell fish, including the oyster, clam, lobster, etc., modern science discovers to be but lumps of vitalized and disease-producing filth, because of inadequate excretion.

So vile are these creatures, that even the densest ignorance can be induced to use them only in our coldest seasons. If they were to be used in warm countries, like Palestine, or in warm seasons here, they would prove as ruinous to health as Moses declared they would be. On the bodies of shell fish, and protected by their shells, disease bacteria of various kinds often find prolific breeding places. Like excessive pork-eaters, the users of shell-fish delicacy owe much to the cold seasons for the preservation of their lives.

The lives also of all flesh-eating animals are not only made thereby vicious and pugnacious, but are also shortened in comparison to the lives of vegetarian animals. Modern science has forced the world to respect and accept the Mosaic bill of fare as hygienic. God knew the deadly tendency of the flesh diet generally, especially in warm countries, and thus guarded His people against its secondary influence.

In the two enunciations of the Adamic bill of fare, attributed to the Almighty by Moses, in Genesis the first and third chapters, there is a comprehensive and scientific hygiene which proves that Moses was inspired, or otherwise an expert in modern "hygiene" four thousand years ago.

In the first instance, Moses says Adam was told by the Lord that the

human dietary was to be from the "herbs and trees in which were fruit seeding seed in themselves," while to all the birds and animals he gave "the green herb for meat." This was before Adam disobeyed and fell, when he was given a dietary suitable to the unlimited longevity that was presumably to be his.

After he had fallen, he was permissively cursed with lingering miseries, which would make his slowly approaching death an educational mercy. He was told that he would "eat of the herb of the field." He had lowered himself to the level of the mere animals and hence was permitted to eat of their food. Notice that, according to Moses, God did not command Adam to eat of the herb of the field, but just simply called attention to the fact that he would do so, in his ignorance, which was a fruit of his fallen state.

Vital Force In Foods

Ere we look at the nature of this distinction, we desire to ask: Who can say that the new and gross dietary was to have no part in the miseries, ignorance, and death that was to follow? Why was this distinction made? It involves the difference between all fruits, nuts, and cereals, etc., on the one hand, and mere vegetables on the other. This is God's distinction.

Now, some may not recognize the clear outline that exists between the cereals and the mere vegetables. All cereals, fruits, and nuts, as a resultant offspring from the original vegetable body, have a double remove from the filth and poison that is known to be in the fertility of the chemical drift, and often also in the irrigating water; while the mere vegetable has no such opportunity of chemically purifying itself.

In the case of vegetables, called here "the green herb of the field," as cabbage, turnips, beets, carrots, lettuce, spinach, etc., the whole body is eaten. Not so with the fruits, nuts and cereals, for here the chemistry of life, in a sort of second growth out from the original body (which is itself discarded as not edible), produces the pure nutritious fruit. The varied, mystic and vital forces latent in the seed, select from the crude and unrefined chemic substances the elements to compose the particular body of the tree, bush, vine, cornstalk, straw, etc.

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Chemical analysis proves this, and while granting common identity between the substances of the vine or the tree and its fruits; between the stalk and the bean, yet it discovers much greater purity, refinement and condensed nutrition in the latter than in the former. In fact herein is found the natural reason for many of the mere vegetables, such as beets, turnips, parsnips, etc., requiring two years in which to produce seed. The first season is spent in refining and storing pulp, and in constructing the more crude, physical machine of the stalk or body, from which and through which to produce in the next season, the more delicate, nutritious and condensed life kernels.

Cereals, Nuts, Fruits

Animals may browse the berry bushes and branches of the fruit trees, but not so with man. Animals may eat the straw of the oats, barley, wheat, corn, beans, peas, etc., but man may not. Animals were divinely intended to eat the coarse, pulpy body of the green herb, while man was largely to have a purer, a more nutritious, intensive and healthful diet.

Now, to show the particular value of this distinction, the true botanist, the chemist, and hygienist, all declare that there is generally an average of between five and twenty-five per cent of nutrition in mere vegetables, and between sixty and ninety per cent of nutrition in the cereals and nuts. The fruits are generally acknowledged as nutritious, germicidal appetizers, palatable laxatives, and system cleansers in general.

To more perfectly prove this point, we have but to remember that when we want to either fatten or strengthen an animal, we give it grains, while vegetation in the best sense supplies neither. A horse, a cow, sheep, or even a chicken, deprived of grain, shows poor results. Thus, also many a man, woman and child is undernourished, if not half-starved, on a purely vegetable diet. A return to the diet of pure cereals, nuts, and fruits would produce to humanity the best results in health, intelligence, and longevity.

This bill of fare, which is now being recognized and advocated by all advanced hygienists, and but lately inaugurated in the best of our sanitariums, was clearly set forth by Moses, the law-giver, four thousand years ago, as God's distinction given nearly two thousand years before that. *If Moses was not inspired of God, we ask how did he come to be four millenniums ahead of the scientists of his modern bill of fare?*

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Rise Up, Shepherd

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Many people have tried to establish an origin for Negro Spirituals. Some of our musicians have not been able to understand why or how these beautiful melodies and harmonies could have originated in the minds and hearts of uneducated black folk. They have tried to say that these songs were brought to this Country from Scotland and various other places, but search the world over and you will find nothing else like the Negro Spirituals.

No people, as a people, have ever originated as much melody. Not only beautiful melodies, but they are able to create the harmony that goes along with these melodies too. I have tried the following experiment in Negro congregations: Just to prove my theory I have taken a new manuscript along that I knew none of them had ever heard. I have sung this song for a Negro group and before I would be even through the first verse, they would be harmonizing perfectly and beautifully, as they hummed with me the new melody.

Not long ago I went to Africa with Bishop Arthur J. Moore. We travelled by airplane from Brussels, Belgium, about eight thousand miles into the heart of the Belgian Congo and there, with the missionaries, we journeyed by automobile, bicycle, and tramping, about two thousand miles through the heart of the Congo. I wondered if some of my friends were right when they claimed these unusual melodies were brought from Africa with the original Negroes.

I found they were not right, because the Africans do not create the beautiful melodies and harmony of the Negroes of the southern part of the United States. Their melody line in Africa is

very limited, usually not more than a variety of three or four notes. However, the natives loved Negro Spirituals when I sang to them. Black skinned men in India, Siam, Burma, Ceylon, as well as Africa, seem to have a common interest and love for the songs created by the black skinned people of the southern part of the United States, when they hear them.

It may be possible that the rhythm of our Negro Spirituals was brought from Africa to the United States by

the early Negroes; but the rhythm was refined in the great crucible of the southern States, and there, with the religious and cultural background of the southern white race, the Negro Spiritual music was born.

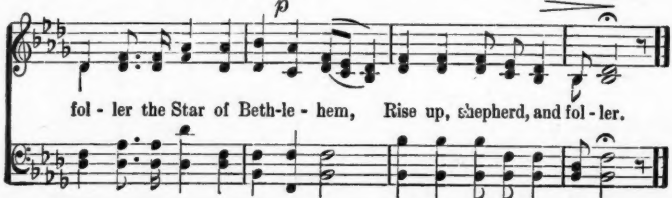
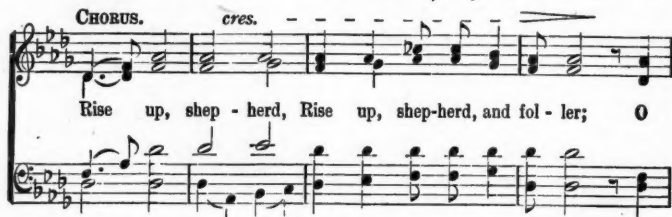
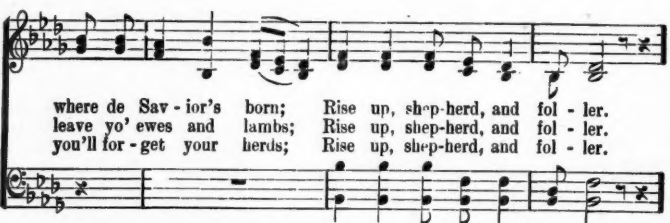
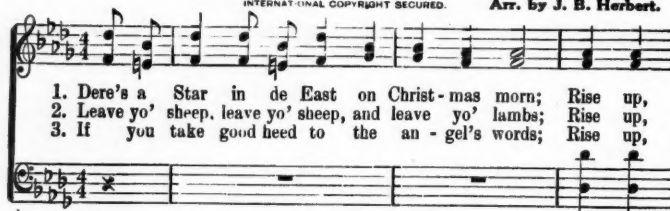
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After I had returned from Africa, a missionary wrote me that he had made a trip a hundred miles back into the jungle from his compound where no other white man had been, and there

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he found Negroes humming Spirituals which I had taught them. So it is going to be interesting to watch the transformation of all this rhythm brought from Africa, refined here in our Country in the South, as it is taken back to teach the Gospel message.

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The song we present to Defender Readers with this article is a fine illustration of how the Negroes hear and simplify the great stories of the Bible. They could not have possibly remembered the words of the preacher. Not many of them could read, but when a message was surrounded by a melody, then they could easily learn and carry it with them.

Christian Service Songs

A STUDY of the development of sacred music is one of absorbing interest to the Bible-believing Christian.

Christianity of the first century was marked with joyful and spontaneous singing. The Apostle Paul told the early Church at Ephesus to "be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit, speaking responsively in psalms and hymns and spiritual odes, singing vocally with music in your hearts to the Lord." (R. V.)

During this era, inspired writers began composing new hymns of praise. We are indebted to the Christian historian, Tertullian, for an account of a service of worship. "In our Christian meetings," he writes, "we have plenty of songs, verses, sentences and proverbs. After hand-washing, and bringing in the lights, every Christian is asked to stand forth and sing, as best he can, a hymn to God—either one of his own composing or one from Holy Scriptures."

A decline in the general use of sacred music is noted during the middle ages. History attests that congregational singing became a lost art, being confined almost entirely to the Clergy. At the beginning of the fourth century, Latin was adopted as the hymn-language of the Church.

One contributing cause for this unfortunate development was the fact that Church leaders of the medieval period opposed spontaneous outburst of song. But the more important factor was that spiritual life among Christians began to wane. Rev. Phil Kerr, an authority on

the subject says: "As the Church became more formal, as worship became more liturgical, and as Christians lost the keen edge of their spiritual contact with God—singing passed into the keeping of the clergy. Individuals lost their spiritual power, the song in their hearts died out, and Christian service became a mere ceremonialism."

No one person had more to do with this rebirth of mass-singing than Martin Luther. He composed numerous Christian hymns and published them in the German language. On one occasion he declared: "What I wish, is to make hymns for the people, that the Word of God may dwell in their hearts by means of song also."

John Calvin, the torchbearer of the Reformation in Switzerland, was also an advocate of mass-singing. He was of the group who believed in the use of the Psalms of David exclusively in Christian worship. He openly disapproved of Luther's "humanly-composed" hymns. Calvin was responsible for the publishing of the *Genevan Psalter*, which exerted influence on that type of hymnology for two hundred years.

The century following the Reformation found sentiment in favor of hymn-singing composed by Christian writers steadily rising. Under the influence of Isaac Watts, one of the leading hymn writers of all time, this practice received its greatest impetus.

Invectives hurled at him by opponents did not intimidate Watts. His reply to these critics was the statement that "the book of Psalms was primarily a Jewish book, and not a Christian one." He pointed out that emphasis should be placed upon the Gospel of Christ in Christian service. "Some of the Psalms," he is supposed to have said, "are almost opposite to the spirit of the gospel; many of them are foreign to New Testament principles, and widely different to the present circumstances

of Christians. If we are to make Christian hymns of the Psalms, we must first re-write them in the way that David would have written them if he had been an eighteenth-century Christian instead of an Old Testament Jew."

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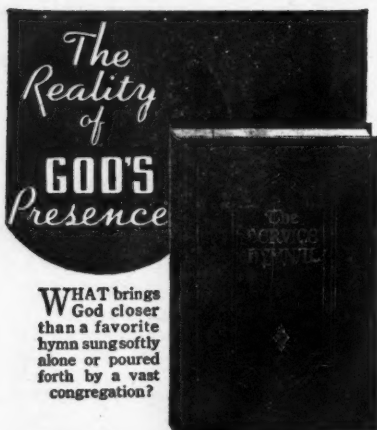
Isaac Watts composed scores of Christian hymns, many of which are contained in present-day hymnals. They include such immortal classics as "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed," "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun," etc.

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Mr. High Speaks In Sioux City

STANLEY HIGH, who writes *smear* articles against Christians and patriots, for publication in newsstand magazines, recently made a public appearance in Sioux City, Iowa.

It happened that the editor of The Defender was in the city at the same time filling a four-day speaking engagement, under the auspices of the Billy Sunday Memorial Tabernacle, of which Rev. Harry Clarke is the Pastor.

The following resolution was discussed and unanimously adopted ten days prior to Dr. Winrod's arrival in the city...

WHEREAS: We, the people of the Billy Sunday Memorial Tabernacle, find that Stanley High, who has been chosen by the Teachers' Club to lecture in this City on "America's Ims vs Americanism," has a past reputation as an associate with members of the Communist Party, and is known to have made the following statement:

"I am not so sure but that the Atheism in Russia is a step in the right direction. We have lost faith in the Church that is servile to the Government" ... and

WHEREAS: According to the Communist "Daily Worker" the same Stanley High, "cabled Hitler asking assurance that Communists Toller, Thaelmann, etc., would not be mistreated."

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WHEREAS: A copy of this protest shall be sent to the following: President of the Board of Education, President of the Sioux City Teachers' Club, and to each of the Sioux City newspapers.

Signed by . . . Advisory Board, Billy Sunday Memorial Tabernacle, Harry D. Clarke, Pastor."

On the day of Mr. High's arrival, Rev. Clarke issued the following statement, which was promptly published in the *Sioux City Journal*:

"Our chameleon reds and pinks are being forced to change their public colors since Hitler and Stalin negotiated their non-aggression pact. All of a sudden Communist sympathizers are discovering that Communism is a terrible thing. The deal between Russia and Germany has put them on the spot. It is even discovered that Earl Browder, with whom Stanley High had himself photographed awhile back in Cleveland, is a terrible person.

"The chameleon is a lizard capable of changing his colors. All of a sudden the liberal pinks and reds are doing the chameleon act. So, gentle reader, don't be surprised to see Communists fighting Communism. It will take them a little while to get oriented to the new international trends created by the Hitler-Stalin deal.

"Stalin is the blushing damsel. Under his arm he carries a dirty looking pup whose name is Nazi. To American liberals he says, 'Love me, love my dog.'

"One thing that interested me last night was the statement by Dr. Winrod that he was unable to understand why the Saturday Evening Post opened its columns for Stanley High to falsely attack him, until he learned that certain financial interests gained control of this publication several months ago."

Mr. High gave two talks—one over the radio, the other in a High School auditorium.

On the air, he showed himself to be engaged in the dissemination of British propaganda. He said: "My sympathies, I mean, the sympathies of the American people, are on the side of England and France." His attitude on the war situation was anything but neutral.

At the High School, he professed to be a believer in Americanism, but made no effort to explain his long red record and numerous Communistic contacts. He accused Congressman Martin Dies of conducting a "witch hunt," and called him "a handy man with a flit gun."

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The Miracle Of The Manger

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WAS Jesus Christ born of a virgin, or did he have a human father? What say the Scriptures? "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isa. 8:20).

(1) *The Scriptures affirm that He was born of a Virgin*

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us" (Matt. 1:23). This prediction, given by God through Isaiah, is quoted by Matthew in connection with the birth of Jesus Christ. He was born of a virgin.

"And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ." (Matt. 1:16). Note, if you will the change in expression. All the others "begat." But it does not say that Joseph "begat" Jesus; it is not, "Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus."

"Before they came together," Mary and Joseph, "she was found with child" (Matt. 1:18). But how did this occur? Joseph, knowing that he was not responsible, wanted "to put her away" and not to let her suffer publicly. But God spoke to him in a dream and told him to marry her, for, said the angel: "that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost." (Matt. 1:18-20). And in describing her predicament Matthew says that "she was found with child of the Holy Ghost." Not of some Roman soldier, but "of the Holy Ghost," Jesus Christ did not have a human father. He was not born of natural conception.

"Joseph . . . took unto him his wife, and knew her not till she had brought forth her first born son: and he called His name JESUS" (Matt. 1:25). How clear! How plain! Such language cannot be misunderstood. The Bible cer-

tainly intends us to understand that Jesus was virgin born.

When Gabriel said to Mary "Thou shalt conceive in thy womb and bring forth a son," amazed, she responded, "How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?" "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee," answered Gabriel, "and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing that shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God" (Luke 1:31-35).

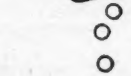
And now let us turn to Luke 3:23. "And Jesus Himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph." Note, if you will, the words "as was supposed," for these words are in the text. He was not the son of Joseph even though among His friends and neighbors some supposed that He was. He was the son of Mary and the Son of God. He was born of a virgin.

In Gen. 3:15 Jesus Christ is spoken of as the seed of the woman, and in Gal. 4:4 Paul says that "God sent forth His Son, made of a woman." Strange, is it not, that He should always be spoken of as the woman's seed if He was the seed of the man as well as the woman. But the Bible makes no mistake. He was "made of a woman" but not of man.

John says "The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld

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His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). And Paul speaks of "God manifest in the flesh" (1 Tim. 3:16). If Joseph was His father, then the Word (Jesus Christ) was not made flesh, nor is it true that He dwelt among us. And certainly He was not the only begotten Son of God. And on no account could He have been "God manifest in the flesh." If He had a human father He was man and not God. Hence, according to both John and Paul, He was virgin born.

Strange, is it not, that Scripture makes no reference to an earthly father. Not one of the writers of the New Testament, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, Peter, James, Jude, not one of them even hints at human fatherhood. Surely if He had been born of man one of them would have said something about it. But they are silent every last one of them.

Moreover, Jesus Himself never called Joseph, or any other man, His father. Whenever He referred to His Father, He spoke of God. Again and again He said that God was His Father.

If it be argued that Mark and John do not tell the story of the virgin birth, I answer, why should they? Mark tells nothing of the childhood of Jesus at all. He commences his narrative with His active ministry. John, who wrote later, has the accounts of both Matthew and Luke before him. Why should he add anything of his own? The facts had already been stated. He dealt, for the most part, with incidents in the life of Christ omitted by the synoptics.

Bear in mind that the chapters containing references to the virgin birth are in every ancient manuscript. If they are to be rejected, then the entire books of Matthew and Luke must be discounted. To accept one chapter and reject another is preposterous. If Matthew and Luke wrote truth in the latter parts of their books, then they wrote truth in the beginning as well. So far as the ancient manuscripts are concerned there is no reason to cast reflection on the virgin birth of the Son of God.

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(2) The Church has always believed in the Virgin Birth

One thing is certain. The whole Church has believed universally in the virgin birth all down the centuries. That argument alone should suffice. Only small groups here and there have rejected the doctrine.

And these groups, for the most part, are numbered with the false cults of today. The great bodies of Christendom for nineteen hundred years have accepted the virgin birth.

As a matter of fact it is the creed of all the churches. To doubt it is to reject the testimony of the greatest leaders of the Christian faith and to deny the authority of the Church as a whole.

(3) The Sinless Nature of Jesus Necessitated a Virgin Birth

If Joseph was the father of Jesus, then He inherited sin just like the rest of us and hence needed a Saviour Himself. He had to be sinless in order to be the Saviour of the world. And to be sinless He had to be virgin born. If not, then others, though sinful, can save. And He is not the unique Saviour that He claims to be.

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(4) The Silence of His Mother Proves the Virgin Birth

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And yet she remained silent. Think of it! His own mother, when just a word from her lips would have saved Him as He stood in the shadow of the Cross. And, oh, how eagerly she would have spoken that word had it been possible, even though, through shame, she had kept the awful secret to herself for more than thirty-three years. Ah, yes, in that fearful crisis hour Mary would have confessed had she been guilty of secret sin prior to His birth, as any mother would, in order to save her son.

She of all women would have told them that He had not been born of the Holy Ghost, but that Joseph or some other man was His father. But not a word did she utter. She let them nail Him, her Son, to a cross. She saw and felt His sufferings.

She listened to His heart-rending cry: "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" Yet she uttered not a word. Her lips were sealed. No, Mary could not save Him, for well she knew that no man had touched her until after He had been born. And so the silence of His mother, I say, proves the virgin birth.

(5) The Fact that His enemies have never disproved His Virgin Birth is conclusive evidence.

No stone has been left unturned. Every effort that diabolical ingenuity could devise has been used to disprove the virgin birth. Infidels, agnostics, atheists and unbelievers all down the centuries have tried to discount it, but in vain.

How quickly the scribes and Phari-

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sees, the priests and others would have produced the evidence if they could have. How eagerly would the enemies of the Early Church have exploded it if it was indeed only a theory, a superstitious belief. All they had to do was to compel Mary to confess her sin. All that was necessary was to find the man. But this they could not do for there was no man. Jesus was virgin born.

And so I say it is up to the unbelievers to disprove the virgin birth.

How, I ask, are they going to do it? I do not have, to prove it; it is self-evident. It has always been accepted. But now that they have denounced it, let them bring forth their arguments and let them prove its false.

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The Casing Stones Of The Great Pyramid

Dr. J. O. Kinnaman, Madison College, Tenn.

THE mystery of the Casing Stones of the Great Pyramid at Gizeh has remained unsolved ever since scientists began taking an interest in the Monument, trying to understand its purpose.

For centuries conjecture covered the disposition of the stones after they were stripped from the face of the Monument. It was not until Sir William Flinders Petrie dug a trench in the more than thirty feet of sand that concealed its base, that the casing stones still *in situ* were exposed to view for the first time since 1301 A. D.

The Great Pyramid was faced with white stones so perfectly laid, or placed on the four sides, that there was neither outward nor inward curving, towards the core of the Structure. This was a great engineering feat when it is considered that each face of the Monument contains more than five acres of surface.

This surface was perfectly smooth, and perfectly white, not a grayish, or cream color, but white. The joints between the stones were so exact that they could not be detected by the naked eye. Such is also true of the joints of the stones within the Pyramid. These joints can be detected only by the use of some sharp instrument, like the blade of a knife, being run over the stones diagonally to the places where they make contact.

The joints of the casing stones were cemented with a layer of cement less than the thickness of an ordinary calling card. This substance is so tenacious

that the stone will break before the cement will. Of what is this cement composed? We shall attempt to answer the question at a later time. To be exact this cohesive substance is less than 1/50 of an inch in thickness, even between the vertical stones. The edges could not be thinned by any known process.

There were 144,000 casing stones covering the surface of the Pyramid, and not one of them weighed less than a ton. In some manner these stones were so polished that they, in the sunlight, were as white as the driven snow. They perfectly reflected the light of the Sun. Not only did they reflect the light, but the brilliance was such that the reflection could be seen practically all over Egypt. It was a great sun-dial that not only told the time of day, but the season of the year.

Strabo, the writer of Antiquity, said: "It seemed like a building let down from the heaven, untouched by human hands." Herodotus, the Greek historian, was full of admiration for its appearance. None ever failed to praise it, who saw its pristine beauty.

As a matter of fact, the faces of the Great Pyramid had all the qualities of a gigantic and perfect mirror. Because of its ability to reflect the sunlight, the Egyptians named it *Khuti* — "The Lights." The word "*Pyramid*" is derived from the Chaldean "*Urim—mid—din*", literally meaning "The Lights." There seems also to be the idea "fire" in the root meaning. This idea may have originated from the reflecting qualities of the Monument.

In the Egyptian Vestibule of the British Museum there are three small casing stones, supposedly of the Great Pyramid. I have very serious doubt if these stones were ever actually set on the Monument. It is my opinion that they were rejects of the original builders, instead of being the rejects of the Arabs, who stripped the Pyramid about the year 1301 A. D. The place of

their discovery would lead one to believe that they were left beneath the paved court that surrounded the Building when it was completed. This court was also white and formed the dial of the immense sun-dial.

It is said by writers that the casing stones were polished limestone. But by what process can limestone be polished to the smoothness and reflecting capacity of a mirror? The fact is, these stones were polished and ground to such degree of accuracy that in modern times, it could be accomplished only by the instruments used by opticians.

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PYRAMID.

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optician. Yet so far as we know, at the present time, that is the manner in which it would have to be done. Take into consideration that each of these stones weighed at least one ton, and was very thick. Then the stones were so accurately joined that the joints could not be detected by the naked eye; the whole surface appeared as one unified plane.

At the base of the Monument is a knife-edge line running the full length of each face. This line was discovered by Sir Flinders Petrie when he removed the sand to lay bare the bottom of the Structure. The edge of the facing, i.e. the outer edge, just exactly met this line. The line is so accurately straight that no deviation could be detected with the most delicate instrument.

If the core of the Building had been built upon the exactly straight line, placing the casing would not have been so difficult; but such is not the situation. The core is not built upon the straight line, but has what is denominated as the "Displacement Factor,"—or the "Recession of the Circuit." This Displacement Factor is the total deviation from a straight line relative to the base of the Pyramid.

It is a known fact that the Structure has in the plan of construction three bases; viz—the base as it was actually built; the base of the original design; and the base of the core masonry. This curvature *inwards* from a straight line is 286 Pyramid inches. The curvature is not triangular in form, but of even tenure, the full 755½ feet on each face of the base. It cannot be detected by the unaided eye. It was originally discovered by a serial photograph. This Displacement Factor was not an error on the part of the architect, but a deliberate deviation from the blueprint as originally designed. Space is not available to go into this phase of the subject at the present time.

If the faces of the core had not this displacement, the casing stones would have been of uniform thickness

throughout, i. e. 71½ inches. Because of this inward curve the casing stones were thinnest at the very places that they should have been normal, the four corners where they joined.

When the casing stones were in place the distance around all four sides of the Pyramid was 36,278 British inches. This is exactly what the knife-edge lines measure. That was the blueprint specifications. Now let us be perfectly clear in understanding the situation here. When the casing stones were in place there was no Displacement Factor as far as the *outside* of the facing was concerned. This was all covered up by the art of the architect. But it is necessary to understand this in order to realize the cause for the varying thickness of the casing stones.

We shall not deny that the substance of the casing stones was limestone. We cannot deny that fact, for they are LIMESTONE. How then did they receive the polish of a mirror? We cannot question the witness of men of antiquity whose works have come down to us. There must be some answer. The usual answer to the query has been that this particular limestone had the peculiar quality of becoming very hard when exposed to the atmosphere, and also the quality of becoming very white. Such answer seems to me to merely cloak ignorance.

Mr. E. W. Mitchel, an outstanding chemist of Detroit, Michigan, had heard the Author lecture several times upon the Great Pyramid. The description given the casing stones aroused his curiosity to such a degree that he began experimenting in his laboratory. On September 13th of this year (1939) he reported to me that he believed he had found something bearing upon the matter.

He submitted for my consideration two pieces of stone. The first was a soft stone of greenish color, and very smooth; the other was of exactly the same shape, but very hard, so hard, in fact, as to defy cutting with a sharp instrument, and it was as white as marble. You will recall that at one time it was thought that the casing stones were Parian Marble; but someone finally figured out that there was not sufficient of that product in the world to face the Great Pyramid. Then

no savant had anything more to offer.

The first piece of stone presented by Mr. Mitchel was easily identified as "soapstone;" but what was the other? After some study it was easy to see that the second was the same as the first. What had happened to the second piece of stone?

"Soapstone" is scientifically named Steatite. Commercially it is called "Talc." This is a stone widely known in Antiquity. Theophrastes, the Greek writer, left record concerning it. The word Talc seems to be of Arabic origin having the form of Talq. It is not of Swedish origin as some have thought, for the reason that knowledge of it dates back long before a Swede or Sweden were known. The substance is not Mica, though it was confused with Mica by ancient writers.

The rock is found in all parts of the earth. In the ancient world it came from Rhodesia in Africa, Cornwall in the British Isles, Ireland, the Shetland Island, the Hebrides, and Shiness. Of course, there is a great supply of it in North America. It is also found in Norway, and there is one Cathedral in that country constructed of that sort of stone.

"Soapstone" is a non-metallic mineral. It is number 1 in the Mohr scale of hardness. The specific gravity of the mineral is 2.6 to 2.8, making it average 2.7. In color it is grey, white, yellow, and green. It is a magnesium silicate, the chemical formula for which is $H(2) Mg(3) Si(4) O(12)$. This means that it is also a hydrous silicate. The water can be expelled by heating the metal to 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit, and as the heat, or temperature rises, the hardness increases.

The chemical alteration that takes place is the alteration of ferro-magnesium silicate, and the elimination of the birefringence, and axial angle of the original metal. This seems to be accomplished by the combinations of SiO_2 and metallic basic oxides. Somewhere in the process, salts of silicic acid gets in its work.

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offer. Reader, you are going to ask: Were these 144,000 facing stones entirely "soapstone?" I shall answer you very quickly, NO. But if the exposed side of the casing stones was coated with a material containing the mineral we call "soapstone," we have a possible solution to the question.

Mr. Mitchel suggested that I communicate with the D.M. Steward Mfg. Co. of Chattanooga, Tennessee, experts in ceramics. I have done so and Mr. C. S. Steward, the President of the Company, has absolutely confirmed the suspicion that led to the conclusion that follows. There is one Talc deposit in the world, which, when subjected to 2,000 F. will turn perfectly white.

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They were the greatest chemists that the world has ever known. I wish I had time and space to tell of some of the wonders they performed in this department of science, that we cannot duplicate today.

While we are speaking of their knowledge of science, especially regarding chemistry, allow me to remark that scientists have wondered what sort of cutting tool the builders of the Great Pyramid employed. Up to a very short time ago, no tool of any sort, or relic of a tool, was ever found in the Great Pyramid, or around it any place. But some short time ago a piece of broken tool was found in the Structure . . . the cutting edge was alloy of copper and beryllium, or less than 2½ per cent. This gives the tool the qualities of steel, only greater.

After the destruction of Cairo in 1301 A.D. by an earthquake, the city was rebuilt. In this rebuilding process, the facing stones were stripped from the Pyramid, and taken to Cairo. There they were used to build a mosque, one of the most beautiful structures of its kind in all the Mohammedan world. The outer appearance of the building is that of alabaster.

As the Great Pyramid stands today, it lacks an apex. It is a truncated Pyramid towering in the sky exactly 454 British feet. If the apex was ever there, it was taken down stone by stone when the casing stones were stripped off. When the workmen reached the platform, they were unable to further destroy the Structure. The reason for

this is because this "capstone" is itself a pyramid weighing 50,000 tons with apex just above the King's Chamber. The Great Pyramid, as it stands today, cannot be torn down stone by stone.

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Cresset's endorsement appears in connection with a review of Spivak's book "Secret Armies," which was exposed March 1, 1939 on the floor of Congress, as a compilation of outright falsehoods. The editor outlines its contents in detail and concludes with the words: "The reviewer says Amen." Apparently it was not known that the book is made up entirely of articles reprinted from the *Communist Daily Worker*.

Congressman Shafer of Michigan says: "Spivak is notorious for his attacks on all patriotic societies. He is a member of the Communist Party and served as a member of the so-called

Committee of Professionals to support Browder and Ford, Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates, respectively, on the Communist ticket in 1936."

A professor in Wichita University is among those attacked in "Secret Armies." Contending that he has been libeled, this instructor recently brought court action against Spivak but was unable to get service on the warrant in New York. So a few days ago, he started action on the basis of *criminal libel* through the County Attorney's office and the case is now pending.

The amazing spectacle of a reputable magazine like *Cresset* endorsing a book by America's leading Communist writer, illustrates the slippery character of red propaganda. It calls attention to a danger which should be avoided.

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ed by Father Coughlin that day, and the later publication of Mr. Harry Bennett's statements, demonstrated their utter falsity, as the *Social Justice* magazine revealed when Mr. Bennett permitted, over a signed statement, the publication of facts, viz:

1. — "The direct quotation carried in the paper (Detroit Free Press) is totally inaccurate and was not written by Mr. Ford, but was composed by Rabbi Franklin.

2. — "Rabbi Franklin came to see Mr. Ford to ask him if his factory would assimilate Jewish refugees, the result of Nazi persecution. Mr. Ford said that he believed there was little or no persecution in Germany; if any, it was due not to the German Government, but to the warmongers, the international bankers.

"Moreover, while Mr. Ford expressed his humanitarianism for all people, yet he believed that Jews wouldn't be content to work in factories."

Father Coughlin, therefore, was justified in saying: "There is a sample of inspired news which a controlled newspaper dispensed for public reading."

He was also justified further in saying: "You know that the editorial content of many papers is colored by the logic of the advertising dollar—the advertising dollar which manages editorials."

My own personal experience in this matter is worth reporting:

About the time of this incident I wrote two articles for my morning Paper, taking the position that Communism was a far greater threat to America than Nazism; and, if the latter was to be condemned, much more the former. The afternoon Paper edited and revised, by elimination, but published a part of what I had to say. But the morning Paper refused the publication of such articles, and when asked "Why?" rather furiously said: "We have no place in our Paper for any such stuff."

Little wonder! Yet the text stands: "... publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not."

II.

PUBLIC GOOD SHOULD BE THE OBJECTIVE. *The daily newspaper*

can, if it will, create social and economic standards.

In fact, since it professes to serve the public, it holds a solemn obligation so to do. Since subscribers are desired and are essential to the success of a paper; and since the majority of the people, to whose homes the paper comes daily, are either advocates of Christian morality or else in sore need of indoctrination in such principles, the newspaper has no moral right—and, in fact, no financial right—to be the enemy of better social standards.

And yet, strange to be (with but brilliant exceptions) it is not even friendly to nobler ideals; but is open to the charge of being purse-controlled; of carrying ads. of questionable character; it is not a friend of morals save in the exceptional instances to which we have referred. This is found demonstrated in its fervent defense and even advocacy of the accursed saloon and the damning drink habit.

I am proud to call attention in passing, to the fact that we have one newspaper in my city that to date has rejected liquor ads. This means a loss of thousands upon thousands of dollars in advertising but its growth in popular favor illustrates thoroughly the public appreciation of moral standards on the part of the daily press.

In recent years the reputation of Minneapolis has been marred by two or three of the vilest murders conceivable, including defenseless girls, raped and throttled to death, and the shooting of anti-communist editors who had the courage to speak! I confess frankly, that I have been ashamed, that the press of the city has been so silent upon these outrages—reporting them, to be sure; but taking no strong stand in the excitement of public sentiment against their perpetrators!

When a young woman was murdered, and an anti-communist Editor was shot to bits, I waited for weeks for these "custodians of public interest" to suggest aught before I called to my church the Indignation Meeting which finally eventuated in "The Committee of One Hundred", now engaged in uncovering some of our putrid civic spots; and I waited in vain!

There is no class of people to whom the public has such a right to look for the expression of public indignation over such outrages as the press, unless it be to the preachers; and I am sorry to say that I fear, in a good many instances, the pulpit is also controlled by

considerations of possible unpopularity and personal safety as definitely as the press is controlled by financial concern.

The public has a right to demand high ideals on the part of editors.

In fact, I would go further; I would say the public is under obligation, since it lies in its power, not only to boycott, but to insist upon the suppression of any paper, that tends to lower the social level and degrade the civic life . . .

III.

THE PEOPLE'S PRESERVATION SHOULD BE THE RESULT. "For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast."

"Out of the north," how marvelous is prophecy! "The north country" in the prophetic Word of God is Russia—the land of the present Jewish Bolshevik reign. Then we have here prophesied the rise of a common enemy. "For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her . . ."

We have reached a strange pass in America! We have come to the point where communist meetings occur in every part of the land, and where people, some born at least in America, defend their right to proclaim communism—which is as remote from American Constitutionalism as the east is from the west; remote as tyranny is from freedom; as slavery is remote from liberty.

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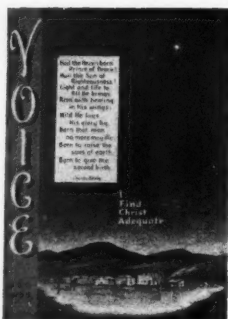
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meeting and pay tribute to George Washington, the father of this Country—and to clearly affirm, as their leader did:

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In a city of two million Jews, a crowd of 100,000 storms the place; numerous individual fights follow. Isadore Greenbaum, a youngster twenty-three years of age, rushes the speaking platform to attack the speaker, and leaves the platform without his trousers.

The amazing thing is the comment, at Washington, by members of Congress, and such Senators as Bankhead declaring: "I am against attempts to spread the doctrines and theories of Fascism or Hitler in this country. I don't believe in letting foreigners stay in this country, even if naturalized, when they try to destroy our American government."

Why did he not include the communists also?

The press that does not favor our Republican form of Government is an enemy of America.

I do not know how many of you read the deliverances of the "leftists" from time to time; but I love my Country so well that I cannot pass unnoticed what they are saying; and, when some time ago, the daily newspapers reported Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the Interior, as declaring that:

"Fascism is the deadly and insidious foe that we must prepare to combat without loss of time;" and in the same breath, says further: "We question either the motives or the intelligence of those who would have us marshal our forces against a barely imaginary danger of Communism while Fascism thunders at the gates of our citadel of liberty," he stamps himself as a communist sympathizer and an enemy of true Americanism. And when he further remarked:

"Totalitarianism is a real threat to our institutions," any modicum whatever of intelligence would have led him to say further—"The most totalitarian government on the face of the earth is found in 'the north country'—Russia."

The very language that he employed with reference to Fascism finds its true application to Communism:

"Never has any foe of civilization moved so mysteriously, so unerringly, with such deadly swiftness, or over so wide a territory. The urgent and unpostponable duty of every American who loves liberty is not only to let the light of reason guard him from within against this treacherous foe, but to join his fellow citizens in resisting it from without."

It would not be a bad thing for the true American to give audience to Ralph Knox, a deposed communistic official, who, when his eyes were finally opened to the fellowship into which he

had been surreptitiously drawn, said concerning a lot of foreign advocates of this Marxian philosophy:

"There is no way in the world to pronounce the names of these Arabs; and it is a babble of many tongues when they get together. The group itself is worse than Dillinger ever was, and if they had Dillinger's courage they would shoot up the country."

Who doubts it?

Personally I want to express my thanks to the daily press for an occasional faithful report on some man who has thus seen the light; and then end what I am saying by the assertion:

The daily Paper cannot provide, but may point out for the people, a Saviour.

When I say it cannot provide such a Saviour, I mean just that! If it

could be unified it would have its profound influence upon the public's choice of a national leader; but no American need expect to find in any one of our citizens, who may be exalted to that office, a Saviour.

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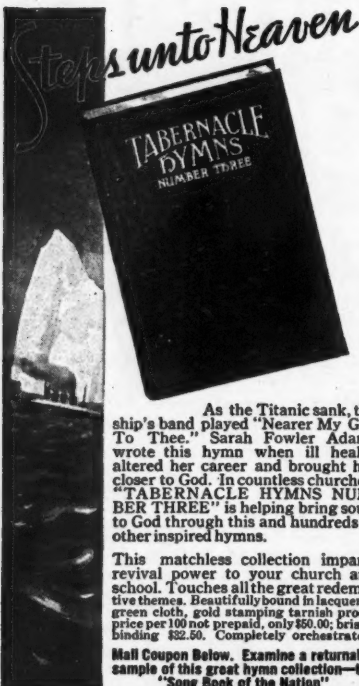
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I am not at all here to suggest that that responsibility rests with the daily Press, but I am convinced that it can be one of the contributing factors in that desirable fruitage.

Arthur Pierson, in one of his volumes, tells us how when Gutenberg was working in his cell in St. Aborsgot Monastery, he heard a voice warning him that his invention of type would be the great engine of evil, whereby bad men would so broadcast the seeds of sin and crime, that his posterity would curse the man who invented the printing press.

He picked up a hammer and was about to smash the type to bits when he heard another voice, saying: "Desist; while your great invention will be perverted to evil ends, God will also use it still more mightily to secure the final triumph of the right and spread the knowledge of His Truth."

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I have read somewhere the story of an entertainment put on in a western opera house. The pictures that were shown on the screen displeased the audience; they showed their disapproval with weird noises and wild remarks. Some better ones were then presented, including landscape scenes, but the rowdiness still prevailed. Then the faces of some of the leading figures of American history, like Washington and Lincoln, were flashed on the screen, but the reception was poor. The crowd was angry, and the entertainers were in despair.

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That was half a century ago! That was before Lenin's Communism had attempted the fresh crucifixion.

Let us say in conclusion that it is the sight of that Face, and of that Face alone, together with the power associated with that Person, that will bring quiet to our Country, adjustment, and salvation to the individual soul!

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SISLEY HUDDLESTON, the well known English journalist, author of the book, *In My Time*, says:

"Propaganda is now universally esteemed, and has taken the place of journalism; and I, who still read many newspapers of a number of countries daily, am appalled at the distortion, suppression, *partipris*, deliberate lying, which serve particular policies and preconceptions.

"It is with dismay that I witness this DEGENERATION OF THE PRESS. It was bad enough before 1914; there was then an indifference to foreign affairs that could only be shaken by sensational statements almost as deplorable as silence.

Now there is an exciting exploitation of differences with foreign powers; a perpetual resort to mischievous exaggeration. Yes, the public is interested today, as it was not in 1914, in foreign affairs, but it is interested in the most dangerous manner imaginable.

"It seemed so incredible then—as it does today, that presumably intelligent men, professing peaceful purposes, should thus deceive the public, and that the public should itself be so deceived. Besides there were many perfectly obvious lies, some of which I helped, unwillingly, to print.

"I think the most shocking was that which represented the Germans as boiling down human corpses for fat; but there were also stories of atrocities in the occupied regions which were generally untrue, and in so far as they were true could be easily paralleled on the Allied side in the French villages where they were quartered."

THE HIGH SPOT in Congressman Dies' recent answer to Roosevelt was as follows: "The discovery of Communists in key positions of the Government will not deter me from appraising the people of the facts. When we uncovered a list of Bund members there was nothing but praise for our efforts. But when our Committee finds 563 Federal employees on the membership rolls of the American League for Peace and Democracy—the leading Communist Front organization in this Country—the President of the United States calls our service a 'sordid activity'!" A few days later Mr. Dies said, "I'm tired. If I could get out honorably, I'd get out tomorrow because it's a headache from beginning to end, but it's a thing that's got to be done and I'm going to stick with it until the administration takes the responsibility for killing the Committee or contributing to it."

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A Missionary Letter

TENS of thousands of Defender Readers are real God-fearing, Bible-believing, knee-bending Christians. It is to this group of sincere followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, that the present Letter is addressed.

I want to have a heart-to-heart talk, at this time, with Christian friends who really enjoy the *missionary consciousness*. . . .

The drawing which appears in the center of this page reflects the true spirit of foreign Missions.

Into our world of moral and spiritual darkness, there came a shaft of bright light nineteen centuries ago. "And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not."

While the human family as a whole has rejected the Light of the World, yet beams from Calvary continue to reach out and pierce hearts here and there, in all parts of the earth. There has always been a nucleus of believers, described in the Scriptures, as "children of the light."

It is the divine purpose of the Holy Spirit to "call out a people" from the great body of humanity. These "called out ones," collectively, constitute the true Church.

There are no prophecies to indicate that the whole world will be converted this side of the Second Coming of Christ. The mission of believers, in this age, is to preach the Gospel "AS A WITNESS." By thus witnessing in a faithful way, the light of truth is to be carried to the ends of the earth, and the Church will be called out of "every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people."

The missionaries on the five fields of the Defenders Movement are just now concluding their most successful year. No exaggerated or pretentious claims are made for these branches of Christian service. Reports published in this Department are always couched in conservative terms. Our co-workers, on the foreign frontiers, simply plod along from day to day — expanding the scope of the Message, testifying faithfully for the Lord, organizing in ways that promise to produce maximum results, winning a soul here and a soul there for the Master!

Through these united efforts, reaching into West Africa, Puerto Rico, Bul-

garia, Greece and Cuba — the Cause of Christ, as a whole, moves forward. Every hymn sung, every tract or Scripture portion distributed, every sermon preached, every prayer offered, every dollar contributed by Defender Readers in the homeland, blends into a great spiritual symphony. When the totals are finally struck on the balance-sheet of eternity, the All Wise One will make the right distribution of rewards for work done. Christians are not saved by "works," they are saved to work.

Space is not available in The Defender to publish adequate reports of problems encountered, and victories won, in the daily routine on the five fields. However, back issues of 1939 *Defender Missionary Messengers* (a

ready for greater preaching and teaching because unsettled conditions inspire souls to reach toward God and Heaven."

Greece. A. Velonis writing: "We keep busy all the days, into the nights, meeting people and talking to them about Gospel matters, in public and private places. Our desire to make Christ known is the same as was the Apostle Paul's desire, when he labored in this very part of the world."

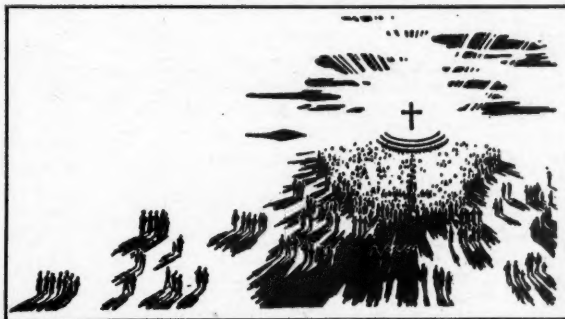
Cuba. Arthur W. Pain writing: "Souls being saved daily. Mission crowds in Havana increasing. Fine response to daily broadcasts. Distribution of Gospels doing wonders. Alejandro, our converted Communist, just back from a village 60 miles away where the Gospel had never before been preached."

These lines of work are supported solely from missionary offerings sent by Defender Readers to Wichita Headquarters. Your prayerful consideration is earnestly requested.

As we enjoy the blessings of the 1939 Christmas season, let us not forget our less fortunate fellow men, yonder in benighted areas, who have never heard the story of Bethlehem's Babe. Let us not forget the missionaries of foreign fields who need our prayerful cooperation. "God so loved that he gave..." If we have His love burning in our hearts, we will want to give.

Yours in Christ,

Gerald B. Winrod



monthly publication devoted exclusively to Missions) are available to interested friends who may write requesting same.

Now, for just a few nuggets from the frontiers. . . .

West Africa. Paul Revere writing: "I ask all the dear friends in America who love us, to keep praying. I am burdened for my people. It seems difficult for many to break away from old customs. It is like pulling one's teeth for them to give up the witch-doctors."

Puerto Rico. J. F. Rodriguez writing: "The boxes containing clothing arrived yesterday. Puerto Ricans in need, will happily receive these garments. There will be happy faces and glad hearts, and through these acts of loving kindness, souls will respond to our appeals to accept the Christ Who died for them. The lovely missionary spirit of Defender friends encourages us to press forward."

Bulgaria. M. J. Markoff writing: "Last week I spent among the Pomags — or Bulgarian Mohammedans. The experience and spiritual results I will describe in detail later. Your newspapers must be telling about conditions here in the Mediterranean part of the world, now that war is again threatening all Europe. Please, dear people, pray for us and the work. The time is

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EVENTS OF THE LAST DAYS. By Rev. John E. Finney. Published by Zondervan Publishing House. Pages 161. Price \$1.00.

THIS volume of 22 chapters comes from the pen of an eminent Evangelist and Bible Teacher. Dr. B. V. Ferguson, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, wrote the Introduction.

The declared purpose of the book is to present in *chronological order* the events of the "last days" of this age. The treatise, as a whole, is a virtual textbook on end-time prophecy — one of the very finest works of its kind to appear on the markets in recent years.

The first chapter entitled "The World's Last Four Great Empires" is a background study of the prophecy relating to the Image of Daniel 2:31-45. Then, in rapid strides, prophetic events are anticipated... such as "The Death-Stroke of the Beast," "The Great Apostasy," "The Great Harlot Becomes a World Power," "The Manifestation of the Antichrist," "The Appearance of the False Prophet," "The Battle of Armageddon," "The Kingdom of Heaven Set Up," "The Last Judgment," "The New Heaven and New Earth," etc.

Mr. Finney shows himself to be a painstaking and discriminating student of the Word of God, whose material has grown out of years of wide reading, study, research, and teaching the subject of prophecy.

THE TIMES ARE FULFILLED. By Dr. Milton Colby Burr. Published by the Warren Press. Pages 222. Price \$1.35.

WE shall allow the Author the privilege of explaining the mission of this book: "The purpose of these lectures is to show by prophecy, principle, history and chronology that the times relating to the plan of redemption are fulfilled, or are now being fulfilled, and that the second coming of Christ is 'near, even at the doors.'"

This work is in many respects quite technical — in that it goes into minute details on facts, figures and chronology. As may be expected there are honest differences of opinion among students where a comprehensive analysis is being presented, but it cannot be said that Dr. Burr's book contains a single shallow page. It is heavy, meaty material from beginning to end. Emphasis is placed upon the fact that holy prophecy must be compared with secular history. Without chronology, there could be no positive assurance that the respective events were the things determined in the prophetic plan.

"Great events," we are told, "have

contributed to bring the gracious (prophetic) scheme to maturity. The Exodus, the Captivity, the fall of Jerusalem 70 A. D., the overthrow of paganism under Constantine, the Reformation, the French Revolution and last, but not least, the World War have been agencies to ripen the purpose of God. When history is viewed in this light, skepticism vanishes."

Fourteen informative chapters comprise the text of this volume. "The Times Are Fulfilled" is a scholarly presentation, and Bible-believing Christians will profit by a diligent and prayerful examination of its pages. A large chart on "Bible Chronology — History and Prophecy," folded into the back of the book, adds value to the work as a whole.

GOD AND HEALING. By Evangelist Betty Weakland. Published by Midwest Evangelistic Association. Pages 68. Price 50c.

THE young lady who wrote "God and Healing" is a nationally known Evangelist, Editor and radio Preacher. She is Founder and Pastor of a large Tabernacle Church in Jamestown, New York.

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Miss Weakland believes that current preaching has "shamefully neglected" this department of Christian doctrine and New Testament religion. Persons who wish to "rightly divide the Word of Truth," must give rightful place and consideration to the Ministry of Healing, in relation to the other parts of the Gospel.

The introductory statement, contains the following explanation: "In this book, I do not attempt to take up in detail every phase of this subject. That would be impossible. My purpose is to set forth clearly what I honestly believe to be taught in the Word of the Living God."

There are nine chapters, the last five of which are as follows: "Divine Healing," "Forgiveness and Healing," "The Name of Jesus," "To Whom Is Divine Healing Available?" and "God's Provision."

• An invaluable book to Bible study. "The Golden Key to Bible Interpretation" by Dr. W. D. Herrstrom. 60 pages. Price 25 cents. Order from The Defender.

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"It is wonderful to know that Jesus knew about this man's being held in the power of Satan. He knows about every one over whom Satan is wielding his power, and Christ wants to free them. We will let this large white magnet remind us of Christ. It comes nearer and nearer to the nail which is held captive. The nail has not been able to move, as it is helpless in the power of the black magnet. Many people are

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"THIS SAME JESUS." By Dr. William H. Jordan. Published by O.B.I. Press, Pages 90. Price 35c.

HERE are twelve messages woven around the majestic Personality of the Son of God, by the President of the Omaha Bible Institute.

These sermons, appearing originally in several Christian periodicals, have created a great deal of interest, and are now assembled in a single volume for the purpose, the Author affirms, of continuing their ministry.

The chapter entitled, "Where Is That Prophecy of Jude?" is an exceptionally strong message. Employing firm language, the Author discusses Jude's message to the believers. He traces and condemns the rise of the Church apostasy which the Apostle anticipated. It is a courageous message, challenging the true Christian to "earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints."

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THE APOCALYPSE DECODED. By Dr. John H. Dequer. Published by New Light Publishers. Price \$2.50.

THIS is a reconstruction of the Book of Revelation in modern English, offered as a pageant composed of six tableaux. The purpose of the present review is simply to outline the contents objectively — leaving it to the Reader to draw his own conclusions.

In the preface, the Author states his reasons for rearranging the entire Patmos Vision. The first part of this treatise is devoted to an introduction which he chooses to call the *decoding of the Apocalypse*.

The next division named the Exordium is in two sections, (1) Christ's Messages to the Overseers of the first Four Ecclesia and (2) the last Three Ecclesia. These comments are given in the Author's own translation with footnote indicating that these seven messages were sent to the Overseers of seven specially selected congregations, dealing with particular problems, and that there is an absence of historic and Scriptural justification for the theologic concept of so-called "Church Ages."

Then follows an arrangement of five Tableaux, a varying number of scenes connected with each. The first of these Tableaux is named "Locale of Apocalypse" with Scene I labeled "The Starry Heavens" describing the dramatizations by the actors; Scene II pertaining to the Seven-sealed Book.

Tableau II entitled "Breaking of the Seals" is set against an astrological background and does not correspond to any historically dated epochs, but signifies a world view as seen from heaven, broadly outlining the results of the battle between the forces of light and darkness in seven scenes.

Tableau III is named "The Seven Trumpets." Scene 1 sets forth "A warning to the Christic devotees resident in the Roman Empire of the politico-religious effects of the great drouth, circa 265 A.D.," and an admonition to believers to hide and overcomers to hide, their attainments, during a period of 1260 years.

Scene 2 depicts a union of Church and State, a Political Beast, and an Ecclesiastical Beast.

In Scene 3 the Author describes the message of the angel as a warning to the elect of the advent of Mohammed, the Star of Islam, and the resultant Saracen wars and invasions between 622 and 736 A.D.; Scene 4, another warning of a terrible calamity which would smite impartially all and sundry, a probable reference to the Black Death that scourged Europe circa 1347 to 1368 A.D.

Scenes 5, 6, and 7 deal with the three woes as the Money Powers or Satan's Agents, the superseding of feudalism by Capitalism (from 1492 to 1883 A.D.) eventuating in a world war, and heaven's rejoicing over Satan's terrestrial failure with the Lamb of God on Mt. Zion.

Tableau IV deals with "The Seven Last Plagues," also in seven scenes — first, an introductory scene of seven angels with their vials, and of the temple and of the throne, then in the second scene (1909 to 1919 A.D.) the dethronement of monarchy, exit of kings, and entrance of capitalists into governmental power; Scene 3 deals with the fading of Constitutionalism from 1919 to 1929 A. D. and the fourth scene describes the desiccation of the financial river (from 1929 to 1939 A.D.), the money-whore and the seven-headed beast, ten dictators (from 1917 to 1959 A.D.) with the final warning to come out of Babylon. . . .

The seventh scene is set forth as referring to a period from 1959 to 1969 A.D., the time of the third woe, consisting of Chaos and Anarchy, the Harvesting of the Elect and the Treading of the Grapes of Wrath.

Scene 8 finishes the fourth Tableau as a description of a period from 1969 to 1979 A.D. with heaven's attack on the Prince of the Air in the Second Advent, and Satan's Binding for 1000 years.

Tableau V is labeled "The Millennium" (2001 to 3000 A.D.) with the first scene being that of "The Hallelujah Chorus," followed by the interlude.

Scene 2 sets forth a Post-Millennial Release for Satan and his subsequent incarceration; and the third scene is

that of the Great White Throne Judgment.

An Epilogue concludes the novel arrangement.

This treatise is in several respects, at variance with accepted interpretations of the Patmos Vision, and will be rejected almost entirely by many students of the Word but will prove stimulating to others for supplementary study purposes.

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For December By Rev. Paul S. Wight

December 3

Spreading Of The Good News

Matthew 10:24-39

GOLDEN TEXT: "He that heareth, let him say, Come." Revelation 22:17.

The entire tenth chapter of Matthew should be read for background study. Jesus was preparing to send out the Twelve men whom He had chosen as disciples. Before sending them forth, He gave them certain instructions and warnings.

Not a single person of recognized rank and position was included in the group. It is believed that this is to be accounted for by the simple fact there were none of the *highbrow* type available. However, had there been a disciple like Paul in the ranks, the Master would not have hesitated to give him a place with the Twelve.

Here is a wonderful illustration of the fact that "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty" (1 Cor. 1:27). Scholarship has not saved and it cannot save the world. Gipsy Smith once said: "There is no essential connection between a clean heart and a college diploma." The world by wisdom knows not God. God is not discovered; He is revealed!

On a certain occasion Jesus said: "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and understanding, and didst reveal them unto babes" (Matt. 11:25 R. V.).

Verses 24-25. Christ set the example of the Christian's attitude in the face of persecution. Let us not think it strange if they who hated Him, hate His followers, nor think hard if they who are shortly to be made like Him in glory, be now made like Him in sufferings.

Verse 28. The reference in this passage of Scripture is not to Satan, for Satan is not able to destroy the soul.

The One in whose power all the destinies of the souls rest is none other than God. Earthly creatures can do nothing more than put us to death, even though it be by torture. The moment a man dies, their power over him is ended. Persecution might tempt a man to deny Christ, and thereby escape physical punishment and death; but after death comes the judgment. What Christ here urges upon His disciples, is that they should be afraid of no human being, no matter what power a man might use in crushing out their lives, but they should ever stand in fear of God, who determines their eternal destinies. — *Peloubet's Notes.*

Verses 32-33. (See Rom. 10:9.) Confession is necessary, but only such confession as proceeds from the heart in true faith. To confess Christ means associate one's self with Him, and stand for Him in life and death.

When we give the world for the Pearl of Great Price, we make a good bargain. The reward may be deferred until the resurrection of the Just and the Judgment Seat of Christ, but it shall in no wise be lost. "God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love" (Heb. 6:10).

December 10

Reactions To The Good News

Matthew 11:16-30

GOLDEN TEXT: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30.

In connection with this lesson, one expositor has said: "Caring nothing for the kingdom which John heralded, the multitude only noticed the peculiarity of his garb and the stern solitariness of his life, and said he must be a lunatic. When the King Himself comes with no such peculiarity, but mingling on familiar and friendly terms with

the people, they find fault with Him for the very qualities the absence of which they deprecated in John."

Verse 25. 1 Corinthians 1:21 says, "The world by wisdom knew not God." The heart, not the head, is the home of the Gospel, and the condition of receiving it, is lowliness of spirit, not strength of brain. We can give no reason why Peter, a fisherman, should be made an apostle . . . and not Nicodemus, a Pharisee, and a ruler of the Jews, though he also believed in Christ—but it seemed good in God's sight.

Verses 28-30. The yoke does not impose an extra burden; it is an implement by which the old burden is made light. The all significant matter to remember is this: the yoke is an implement for two, and in the *double pull*, it becomes easy and the burden light. If you want to know what the Lord can do with wrecked ambitions and broken hopes, drop your burden, accept the yoke of Jesus, and let the partnership be Divine. The Lord's yoke is a yoke fashioned for two, and He Himself is always One of the two.

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan put it this way: "Reverently changing the actual wording, it is as though he said: 'Come unto Me, and I will reveal the Father unto you; trust Me, and find God; accept my law of life by accepting Me, and so find rest; for my yoke, the yoke I wear, is easy; and my burden, the burden I bear is light. Come to Me; be identified with Me; let Me become the window through which the light flashes, the door through which you pass to God.'"

December 17

Parables Of The Kingdom

Matthew 13:3-8, 31-33, 44-46

GOLDEN TEXT: "Incline your ear, and come unto me; hear, and your soul shall live." Isaiah 55:3.

There are six parables in this lesson. The first four — the Sower, the Wheat and Tares, the Mustard Seed and the Leaven — were given to the multitude

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to show the human aspect of the kingdom. The remaining two — the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl of Great Price — were spoken to the disciples and give the Divine aspect of the kingdom.

1. *The Sower and the Seed.* "Kingdom" means the house or dominion of a king, the realm wherein he rules. The field is the world. The seat of the kingdom is viewed as being on earth. The earth is the battleground, the contending forces are God and Satan.

2. *The Wheat and the Tares.* In the field (the world) Christ is sowing good seed (children of the kingdom) and Satan is sowing bad seed (children of the evil one). There is no change in the character of the seed. Wheat is always wheat; tares always tares. The tares are never assimilated and become wheat. Christ and His angels will separate one from the other, at the end of this age.

3. *The Woman and the Leaven.* To interpret the word "leaven" as meaning anything but evil, is (a) To do violence to the symbolical meaning of leaven which is evil, (b) To contradict the teachings of the first, second, third and seventh parables of Matthew 13, (the seventh being in verse 47) and deny our Lord's own interpretation of the second parable in which wheat and tares grow together until the end of the age, (c) To deny our Lord's own meaning as to the word: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees," ritualism, outward show, camouflaged religion (Matt. 23:13-28). "Beware of the leaven of the Sadducees," skepticism, denial of the supernatural, false doctrines (Matt. 22:23-29). "Beware of the leaven of the Herodians," which means political power in the Church.

4. *The Mustard Seed.* This parable shows the marvelous outward growth of the kingdom from the smallest beginning. Christ began His work on earth with a few obscure men and it spread until the nations took shelter under its branches. "The birds of the air" are Satan's emissaries. They devour the seed (the Word), verse 4; they represent worldly powers of evil (Ezek. 17:20-24; Dan. 4:20-22), a picture of unconverted people allying themselves with the Church for the benefits involved by such association. They cannot represent converts as some Bible students have assumed. Branches, not birds, more perfectly stand for converts (John 15:5).

The Church is a great tree, but in the branches are Satanic fowls; and the "lump" (the professing Church) has been leavened in spite of the Master's warning.

5. and 6. *The Hid Treasure and the Pearl of Great Price.* Our Lord is the Buyer (1 Pet. 1:18) and the remnant of Israel, the lost tribes hidden in the

field (Jer. 31:5-12, 18-20) is the Treasure. Christ bought the whole field for the sake of the treasure (Rom. 11:28). The true Church is the Pearl of Great Price, not Christ. Christ is in no sense for sale. For the Church, Christ gave His all.

December 24

The Child And The Kingdom

Matthew 1:18-25; 18:1-6; 19:13-15

GOLDEN TEXT: "A little child shall lead them." Isaiah 11:6.

"Conceived" (Not by the will of the flesh) but she was "with child of the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 1:18). "Conceived in her . . . of the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 1:20). The Holy Spirit, a member of the Eternal Trinity Who produced the world, now produced the Saviour of the world, and prepared Him a body, as was promised, "a body hast Thou prepared Me . . . Lo, I come" (Heb. 10:5). Hence, He is said to be "made of a woman" (Gal. 4:4), and is the Second Adam, the Lord from Heaven (1 Cor. 15:47), and the promised Seed of the Woman of Genesis 3:15.

The people of Israel had God with them in types and shadows, dwelling between the cherubim; but never was the Infinite so perfectly revealed as when the Word was made flesh and dwelt among men. What a blessed step is hereby taken toward the settling of a peace between God and man, that the two natures are thus brought together in the Person of the Mediator! By this He became the One capable of laying His hand upon them both, since He partakes of the nature of both. We see in this the deepest mystery, and the richest mercy, of the ages. By the light of Nature, we see God as a God above us; by the light of the Law, we see Him as God against us; but by the light of the Gospel, we see Him as Immanuel, God with us.

"Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" (Matt. 18:1). The disciples strive as to whom shall be greatest, each having some claim to the position. As Peter was always the chief speaker, and already had the promise of the keys to be given him, he expected, I suppose, to be Secretary of State. Judas had the money bag and therefore he expected to be the Secretary of the Treasury. Simon and Jude were nearly related to Christ, and they hoped to take some great office of State, as Princes of the blood. John was the beloved disciple, the favorite of the Prince, and therefore hoped to be the greatest. Andrew was first called and why should he not be preferred first?

"A little child . . . set him in the midst of them." "Become as little children." Not foolish as children (1 Cor. 14:20), nor fickle (Eph. 4:14), nor playful (Matt. 11:16); but, as children, we must be careful for nothing, but leave it to our heavenly Father to care for us (Matt. 6:25-34).

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